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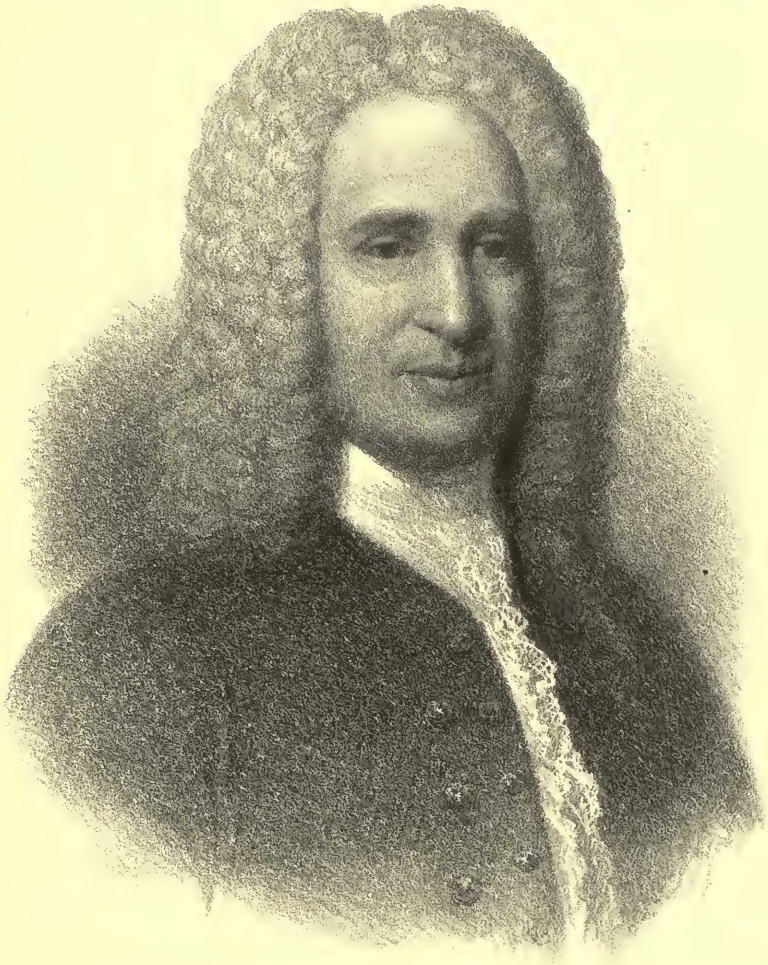

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PREFATORY NOTE.

THIS volume ought sooner to have been in the hands of members; the delay has arisen from the nature of the duties undertaken by the Editors. About a year ago a mass of materials was laid before the Council, which being sent to the printer revealed a chaos necessitating the earlier sheets to be reconstructed and reprinted. Excepting the excerpts from Public Records, the work was found to consist of fragments of letters, and other undigested materials, one portion being frequently contradictory of the other. Information from original sources was now sought for, and with some difficulty procured, while by cancelling a portion of the printed sheets the first part of the work was placed in an intelligible form. The latter part of the collection consists of excerpts which may be found useful to genealogical inquirers into the earlier history of several of the great families in the South East of Scotland—the Dunbars, Homes and others.

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THE HOUSE OF EDGAR.

EDGAR OF WEDDERLIE.

EDGAR * is an old and peculiar surname. One might suppose that even at the present day it would be common, at any rate about large cities, and in those districts whose characteristics are still, to a certain extent, more especially Saxon. When, however, we come to inquire narrowly, and refer to Directories, we find it of rare occurrence. For example, if we take the diocese of Winchester, and run over the index of Wills in its Probate Court from 1498 down to the present time, or, at least to the close of last century, among numerous Saxon names, that of Edgar occurs but thrice; and in two of these Wills, oddly enough, we meet with the same corrupt spelling of the name which, in the contemporaneous registers of the northern kingdom was so prevalent.

It is doubtful whether, prior to the present century, even where Scottish patronymics were largely infused, there were any persons of this name in the sister isle.†

In England, an ancient family of the name settled in Berkshire at an early period. That and the Edgar family in Suffolk may have had a common ancestor; and it may not be saying too much to suggest their descent from one or other of the Edgars who appear in the pedigrees of the Saxon Earls of Northumbria.

A few persons named Edgar seem to have been in attendance upon, or connected with, the courts of several of the ancient kings of Scotland. One named "Gilbert, son of Edgar," was witness to the execution of a charter by William the Lion about 1176. Another, named "Edgar, son of Henry," was witness to a charter by King David about 1208. Another, "Gilbert, son of Edgar," was witness to a charter in 1200; and "Walter, son of Edgar," was witness to a charter of the lands of Scrogges in 1208.

In Rymer's "Fœdera" three notices of this name are to be found. 1. In the 24th Edward I. (1296),—"Walterus Edger persona de Penicok vicecomiti de Edenburgh." 2. 1st Edward II. (1308),—"De vadiis prisonibus Scotiæ," &c., "habere facias Galfrido Edger . . . in castro nostro Ebor." 3. 7th Edward II. (1314) . . . "quod Isabella de Brus in Castro prædicto sub custodia vestra, de mandato nostro, jam existens, habeat secum, ut de familia suâ, Elenam Edger, Johannem de Claydon, Samuelem de Lynford et Willielmum de Preston," &c., &c.

Besides these, we find a notice of a Sir Patrick Edgar, ("Ric de Barneby Domino Patricio Edgar Milite") in 1272, in the *Chronicle of Lanercost*; and in the reign of King John (*Abbrev.*

* "Verstigan derives the name from EAD *an oath*, and ȝaþ *to keep*." Bayley's "Etym. Dict.," Edin., 1789.

† There is at present a family of the name in Belfast; they came from Dumfries.

Placit.) "Edgar avuncul. Comitis Waldeni patris comit Patricii fuit seisit in Dñico suo sicut de feudo de Villa de Bewic," &c.

"In the shire of Berwick," says Nisbet, "besides the Homes there were other ancient families of different surnames who carried lions rampant in variation of tinctures from the old Earls of Dunbar and March; whether upon the account of descent from that eminent family, or, as vassals, carried lions in imitation of those of their patrons I shall not be positive, as the Hepburns, Rentons, and of the name of Edgar who held their lands of the old Earls of Dunbar.

"The principal family of the name of Edgar there is Edgar of Wadderlie, yet extant, who carried for their proper Arms—Sable, a lion rampant argent.

"As for the antiquity of the name, I shall here vouch a charter of Earl Patrick, son of Waldeve, Earl of Dunbar, who grants to the monks of Durham the church and lands of Edram for prayers to be said for the soul of his father and mother, of King Malcolm, his sons, King Edgar, King Alexander, King David, and his son Earl Henry, and King Malcolm, and for the safety of his brother David, and for himself, wife, and children. The charter has no date, but is granted in the reign of King William, and in it are many witnesses, among whom are many barons in the shire of Berwick, as 'Stephan Papedie, Robert de Bonaire, Gilbert de Hume, Henric de Prenderghest, Edward de Aldcambus, Alan de Suyntoun, Willielm de Nesbit, and Willielm filius *Edgari.*'

"The last-mentioned William, son of Edgar, I take to be one of the progenitors of Edgar of Wadderlie.

"The aforesaid principal charter is fully repeated in the charter of confirmation of King Robert the Bruce, dated at Berwick, the 15th day of November, the 21st year of his reign.

"Richard Edgar,* in the reign of King Robert the Bruce, married the eldest daughter and coheir of Ross of Sanquhar, and William Crichton married the other sister. . . . King Robert confirms to Richard and his son Donald Edgar, the half of the lands of Sanquhar, with the manor place as the charter bears:—'De capitali mannerio in Baronia de Sanquehar cum medi[eta]ate ejusdem Barronie ad ipsum mannerium pertinen.' It appears that Edgar of Wedderlie is descended of this Richard.

"I have seen a resignation in the custody of Edgar of Wedderlie, by Richard Edgar, son of Richard Edgar of the lands of Wedderlie, in favour of Robert Edgar Dominus de Wedderlie, in the year 1376, and confirmed to his son, John Edgar of Wedderlie, 1384.

"And beside the Arms of Wedderlie are quartered with figures like to these of Ross of Sanquhar—three water budgets *or*, much defaced, as on an old stone on the house of Wedderlie, supported by two greyhounds, and for crest, a dexter hand holding a dagger, point downwards. Motto: 'Man do it,' and on a compartment below, 'Salutem disponit Deus.'

"It has been remarked, with reference to the origin of our Peerage, that two great Houses, †

* Unlike the majority of noble surnames this is not territorial—twice only is an Edgar named (William) de Wedderlie

† "The family of Cospatrick, a powerful Northumbrian nobleman, took refuge in Scotland after the death of Harold at Hastings, and in 1072 had extensive lands in the Merse and Lothian gifted them by Malcolm Canmore. They continued to be one of the most opulent and powerful Houses in the east of Scotland for a considerable period, as evidenced by their

one English, one Scottish, sprang from the best Saxon aristocracy. Of the old Earls of Northumberland, one named Cospatrick left England after the Conquest, and settled in Scotland. He was ancestor of the Earls of Dunbar, of whom the Homes, and we believe the Edgars, are cadets. From him the Nevilles of Raby, in England, are also descended."

According to *Douglas* ("Peerage of Scotland:" ed. Wood, ii. 107) the descent is stated thus:—

I. Cospatrick, son of Maldred by Algetha, daughter and heiress of Uchtred, Prince of Northumbria, by Elgiva, daughter of Ethelred, King of England, was father of Dolfyn and,—

II. Cospatrick, 1st Earl of Dunbar, whose son,—

III. Cospatrick, 2nd Earl, died in 1147, leaving 1. Cospatrick (3rd Earl). 2. Edward. 3. Edgar ("who appears to have been ancestor of those of the surname Edgar.") 4. Uchtred.

In Surtees' "Durham," we find, with many other collateral descents, the following:—

Waltheof (*circa* A.D. 969) father of Uchtred, who was thrice married, and had by his 2nd wife, Elgiva, a daughter, Aldgetha, who married Maldred, and was mother of Cospatrick, whose issue follows:—

1. Cospatrick, father of Cospatrick and Patrick.
2. Dolfin (*viv.* 1120).
3. Waldeve.
4. Edgar (Nothus).
5. Gunil, who married Orme, and had Cospatrick, Dominus de Workington, father of Thomas (*ob.* 1152), father of Patrick.

Waltheof (*circa* 969), by his 3rd wife, Sigen, had Cospatrick, the father of Uchtred, father of Dolfin (1131), father of Maldred and Patrick. This Maldred was father of five children, viz., 1. Robert, who married Isabella, daughter of G. de Neville. 2. Gilbert. 3. John. 4. Gilbert. 5. Richard.

In his version of the pedigree of the House of Dunbar, &c., many references are given by the author to the sources of his information; it contains likewise the name of Siward, the Giant Earl of Northumberland, who is stated to have married Aelfled, the great granddaughter of Waltheof, the founder (?) of these families.

The territory once in possession of the Wedderlie family, appears to have extended in a broken chain from the coast of Berwickshire to the Solway Firth. Yet many small landowners bearing the name, who were settled under a peculiar tenure * in the royal patrimony at Lochmaben, may have

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donations, noted in the chartularies of Coldingham, Newbottle, Dryburgh, Kelso, Melrose, and Soltra. Founded on a steep, rugged rock, within sea-mark, and communicating with the land through a covered passage, the castle of Dunbar might well, before the invention of gunpowder, have been deemed impregnable. It was often the theatre of warlike contention, and two great battles were fought in its immediate neighbourhood,—the first in 1226, when Earl Warenne defeated the army of Scotland sent for its relief; and the second in 1650, when Leslie was overthrown by Cromwell. It was often besieged, and as often bravely defended; but perhaps never so brilliantly as by Black Agnes against the Earl of Salisbury in 1337."—*Quarterly Review, Jan.* 1858.

* Existing likewise in the Orkneys.

had no distinct legitimate connection with the chief House, but at the same time it is probable there was but *one* family of the name.

It is probable that in the fourteenth century the House of Wedderlie was more powerfully represented in Nithsdale than in its native county; and it is a question whether the representation of the family early in the seventeenth century did not revert to the head of the House settled in the former locality.

Towards the close of the thirteenth century an Edgar, Laird of Wedderlie, appears to have been married to a Countess of Home; and immediately afterwards, the fortune of this House seems to have reached the summit of its prosperity, in the reign of King Robert the Bruce, at whose marriage Richard de Edgar was a witness. One of the latter's four sons was placed by David Bruce at the head of the Clan McGowan, and Wedderlie itself seems to have been resigned to a younger brother,—probably the king's godson.

The Laird of Wedderlie, as co-representative of Robert de Ros, Lord of Sanquhar,—through his wife, a daughter of the latter,—was allied to the family of one of the competitors for the crown of Scotland in 1292.* Thus his position must have been among the foremost.

Yet it seems strange, that when a distinction came gradually to be made between *territorial* and *titular* barons, an Edgar should have acquired the latter rank; thus losing for his descendants a nominal status, which, like many powerful barons, they perhaps undervalued, during the season of *material* prosperity, and before the encroachments of men inferior by birth, but more ambitious—had reduced, by taking advantage of their inaptitude for war or business, or by marriage with their daughters, the once noble possessions of the family to comparatively a few acres.

Moreover, "they were among the few families who disobeyed the act of 1672, c 21, in not having their arms matriculated in the Lyon Register then established."

Then again, the *direct* succession seems to have been more than once broken; and, like certain other families of cognate origin, there is a period of obscurity midway in the descent, and though it is incontrovertible, that even during the most troublous times Wedderlie never was held but by an Edgar, still the then laird may have been self-sufficient and short-sighted, or ignorant of the intention of the act referred to, and content to thus proceed on the stagnating principle of "leaving well alone."

Of the Edgars of Wedderlie, in the fifteenth century, little is known, although it is evident that they must have continued to maintain considerable influence in their native county. In the following century, it is probable, that cadets of the House established themselves at Edinburgh.

The heads of the family seem to have been turbulent in the seventeenth century. The Laird of Wedderlie was in 1679 a rebel. In 1661, George Edgar of Newtown was proceeded against, in the Court of Session, for oppressing Ker of Mersington and his servants, and preventing them cultivating their lands, and attending to peaceful occupations.

Towards the close of the seventeenth century, the *irregularities* of another laird brought him into

* William de Ros, great grandson of Isabella, said to have been eldest daughter of William the Lion—Hailes' "Annals," 1776, v. p. 209.

frequent bad odour with the rigid Presbyterians of his parish, whose interference he resisted for a while, but he was obliged to yield to them eventually.

In this century flourished the Edgars of Peffermyln * (an interesting ancient fortalice near Craigmillar), and the Edgars of Keithock, &c. The former was of the Nithsdale line of Wedderlie, and will be noticed elsewhere.

The lands of Wedderlie continued in the possession of the Edgar family until 1733—6, when they passed by sale to Robert Lord Blantyre. So late, however, as the 25th July, 1736, John Edgar, the last in possession, marked the exodus of his race from their ancient patrimony by the gift to his native parish of Westruther, of a Bible "bound in blue Turkey leather, for which the Session appoints the minister, Mr. Scott, to return thanks to Wadderlie."

From a reference to the title deeds it would appear that the older muniments have either perished or gone astray among other collections, for the earliest is a crown charter granted in the year 1619, to John Edgar, eldest son of *Robert* Edgar of Wedderlie. This is a curious coincidence, inasmuch as the collateral succession of this Robert Edgar is one of the obscure links of the pedigree of Wedderlie.

Before the Reformation, the Edgars were buried in their own chapel at Wedderlie; from the Reformation to 1649 at Bassendean, and subsequently, at Westruther; all their tombstones, however, have unfortunately disappeared, with one exception, on which the last resident Laird of Wedderlie has left a memorial of himself, in his native parish, which, from its quaintness, seems characteristic of the sad and somewhat sarcastic spirit of its author.

An apocryphal story is told of the departure of the Edgars of Wedderlie from their ancient inheritance. The family were fallen and obliged to sell their estates, and in the words of the narrator,—"The auld laird and leddy drove out in their carriage and four horses at mid-day; but the young laird (their only child) was broken-hearted at the thocht o' leaving the auld place, and *he* waited till the darkening; for he said the sun should na shine when he left his hame." † The preserver of this anecdote was a very aged woman, named Eppy Forsyth, who died about 1840. She remembered seeing the young laird riding down the avenue alone, and she said "It was a dark nicht when the last Edgar rode out of Wedderlie."

The death of the last *recognised* male heir of Wedderlie is thus recorded, and one of the many examples of the same kind of error is here repeated.

"1817, March. . . . In Bedford Street, Bedford Square, London, aged 80, Rear Admiral Alexander Edgar, *the last male* descendant of the ancient Scottish family of Edgar of Wedderlie." ‡

There are no complete pedigrees on record of the various families of Edgar in Scotland, and it would be a somewhat bold assertion to make, that there may not, at the present day, be many

* *Vide* "Peffry," p. 541. Robertson's "Gaelic Topog. of Scotland," 1869.

† The ancient manor house, once styled a fortalice, and about 6,000 acres, chiefly moorland, picturesquely extending towards the Lammermoor Hills, now represent the lordly possessions of this once powerful family.

‡ *Gent's. Mag.* 1817. "Last Male" is a common error in many genealogies.

descendants, in the male line, of the numerous cadets of the house of Wedderlie, in the sixteenth seventeenth, and earlier centuries.*

It is quite certain, for example, that the branch of the Wedderlie family planted at Newtoun de Birgham, in Berwickshire, flourished there until the death of Lieut.-Colonel Hunter Edgar, in 1808.

But there is a probability of nearer cadets of Wedderlie being in existence. Beside the "Edgars of Evelaw, and of Westruther," local records show, that at the opening of the eighteenth century, Edgars were still numerous in the neighbourhood of Wedderlie, and several families of the name still lived—some as lairds, others as "kindly tenants"—around the chief of their house. It would be difficult, perhaps impossible, to ascertain their relationship to him, considering that the last Laird of Wedderlie had no fewer than five sons, of whom the Admiral was one; it does seem remarkable that none of them should have left any known male descendants.

On a reference to the records of the Commissariot of Lauder, and of Edinburgh, where the Wills of Edgars of, from, or at Wedderlie, are recorded, it is at once perceived that there have been extensive offshoots, whose descendants have never been traced.

In the "Bride of Lammermoor" there are a few marked and curious coincidences between the family of Ravenswood and that of Edgar of Wedderlie. Both were of the Merse, and Wedderlie is situated at the foot of the Lammermoor Hills. The Master of Ravenswood is named Edgar. Against the "Wolf's Crag" of the Romance we have "Wolfstruther," afterwards Westruther, the parish of Wedderlie. Edgar Ravenswood was related to the Humes and Douglases; so likewise was Edgar of Wedderlie; but what is still more remarkable, *both* families were connected with that of Chiesly, and at the same period. The Ravenswoods were involved in a litigation, in which Chiesly was implicated; while in the Public Records (*Decisions of the Court of Session*) at the period of the Romance, Edgar of Wedderlie had a bitter lawsuit with Chiesly, the tutor of his father's younger children. Edgar of Wedderlie was impoverished by his opposition to the Presbyterian church, just as Edgar Ravenswood opposed its minister at his father's funeral. Both families were turbulent, and both were brought to ruin by espousing the losing cause.

EDGAR OF PEFFERMYLN AND EDINBURGH.

THE *conjecture* of one generation is apt to become the family tradition of the next, and then, if embalmed in the pages of a literary sponsor, it is transmitted to posterity with a fictitious authority, to question which would, in many instances, excite the strongest indignation. The fact that certain families of Edgar used the pure arms of Wedderlie prior to the extinction of the chief line in 1817, militates against the very origin that it suggests; at the same time, one may well understand

* "C. W." in *Notes and Queries*, 1861.

the ignorance of heraldic rules on this point, among the obscure descendants of an old parent stock.

Sometimes we find two families of the same name, to all appearance so thoroughly amalgamated, that after the lapse of a century, without some special knowledge of them, it becomes a matter of no slight difficulty to separate their records, and give to each its own fair proportion. This has more than once occurred among the Edgars, and a notable example * is found in the family of Keithock, when the ancestral estate was transferred by sale from one branch to another.

Edinburgh † seems to have been the crucible in which these commingling families were fused. Here, early in the sixteenth century, dwelt a powerful burgess, named Patrick Edgar, ‡ who was one of the first offshoots of Wedderlie of whom we have any record. His name occurs in the *Diurnal of Occurrents;* and his house is now better known as that in which the celebrated Sir David Baird was born.

A reference to the *General Inquisitions* of the seventeenth century shows that the Edgars at Peffermyln, in the Barony of Craigmillar; at Restalrig, in the Barony of Broughton; in Leith, and at Hillhousefield, formed but one family, to trace all the ramifications of which, however, would be a task attended with almost insurmountable difficulties.

These Edinburgh Edgars traded in grain, as their Wills attest. The Will of Edward Edgar, † of "Papermylne," is a curious example. The rich acres, or "riggs," as the equivalent seems often to have been termed, about the metropolis, must have had peculiar advantages from the proximity of the port of Leith, the trade of which was, at the period referred to, very considerable.

We find, in the seventeenth century, two Edgars, described as merchants, trading with the great continental grain port of Dantzic, which received and garnered the produce of the fertile plains of Poland. These were Gilbert of Sheirington, in Dumfries, whose nephew, Thomas, was returned his heir in 1623, and John "of Poland," "eldest lauchful sone to Thomas Edgar of Keithock," about eighty years after.

In the eighteenth century, and during the palmy days of the West Indies, many persons of this name emigrated thither; and at Bristol (the commercial nurse, so to speak, of these colonies) there were residing at that period two gentlemen, whose names, Preston and Alexander Edgar, point rather to a Scottish than a southern origin.

A glance at the map of Scotland will at once suggest with what ease an over-crowded family in the parish of Westruther, could transfer its junior members to the metropolis, not to say anything of the other outlets in Haddington, Roxburgh, Dumfries, &c.

Certain baptismal names seem to have been peculiar to certain branches. Thus Edward, Clement

* See also the families of Guthrie, and Pringle.

† Wilson's "Memorials of Edinburgh."

‡ Edgar's house (in Edinburgh) was one of especial note in early times from its substantial magnificence. It is described in one of the deeds as "that tenement or dwelling house called the *Schlate* house of old of the deceased Patrick Edgar." * * * It is alluded to in the *Diurnal of Occurrents*, 7th Sept., 1570, where the escape of Robert Hepburn, younger, of Wauchtown, from the Earl of Morton's adherents is described. It is added:—"he came to the Castell of Edinburgh, quhairin he was ressauit with great difficultie; for when he was passand in at the said Castell zett his adversaries were at Patrik Edgar his hous end." In this work is mentioned "Mr. Edgar's Map of Old Edinburgh."

and Herbert prevail in one, Alexander is common in another, David in a third, and several of these branches were ultimately represented by a "Margaret." This happened more than once in the Berwickshire families; and Margaret, the wife of Alexander Edgar of Auchingrammont, was, we believe, the co-heiress of her father, James Edgar of Edinburgh (about 1737). These resemblances are so closely involved in some instances, that it is scarcely possible, among so many *counterparts*, all grouped contemporaneously, to discriminate accurately.

In Scotland, when a family parted with its paternal acres, the origin of its descendants was soon lost, owing, in a great measure, to deficiencies in parochial and heraldic registration.

Peffermyln, in the parish of Liberton, near Edinburgh, is an ancient "Tower and Fortalice," once belonging to a branch of the family of Edgar of Wedderlie, in Berwickshire. There is a curious piece of armorial sculpture over the entrance to the tower, representing Edgar of Wedderlie, impaling Pearson of Kippenross, with only the difference of a *mullet* instead of a *cinquefoil*, in the latter. Such monograms are very obscure, for this reason, that little is known of the Edgars who owned the place, beyond what can be gleaned from the imperfect parish registers, the Burgess Rolls of Edinburgh, and a few other records.

Edward Edgar of Peppermyln, or Peffermiln, the son of Patrick Edgar (whose house in Edinburgh in the time of Mary, Queen of Scots, and which is still standing, shows him to have been a person of no small consequence), was one of the last of the commissioners appointed to try witches, and the record of some curious trials at which he presided is preserved. He appears to have been succeeded by his son, Patrick Edgar, who was succeeded by his brother Edward, whose heirs were Andrew and Margaret.

There is a deed recorded (Reg. of Deeds Dur. Off. 1664, Dec. 23), which is dated at "Johnstoun," and was executed by the heirs of Edward Edgar, bailie and burgess of Edinburgh. In it is described the estate of umquhile Patrick Edgar, and of Andrew and Edward, sons to the deceased Edward Edgar, and Margaret, their sister, married to Walter Cant; Patrick, son and heir of the defunct "Edward Edgar the elder." The names of two Johnstouns appear to this deed along with Margaret, relict of the deceased.

Edward, the elder, had been admitted a guild brother of Edinburgh on the 12th of August, 1621, and appears to have acquired from another Edgar the lands of "Kingsmedow *alias* Scharnyhall," Edinburgh, on the 19th of June, 1629. Possibly, however, this may have been Edward Edgar, also of Edinburgh, and a guild brother in 1607.

These Edgars of Peppermyln owned land about the village of Water of Leith, Restalrig, Hillhousefield, &c., all in the neighbourhood of Edinburgh, and they appear to have intermarried with Thomsons, Johnstons, Cants, Romes, Cranstouns, and perhaps with Chisholm; but as the parish registers of that period are very imperfect, it would be scarcely possible to construct a complete pedigree, although the descent of property could be shown in the same family.

The quaint and elegant old fortified house of Peffermyln closely resembles externally that of Wedderlie, in Berwickshire, which latter again is described in a deed dated December 14th, 1714, as the "tower, fortalice, and manour place" of Wedderlie.

During a portion of the seventeenth century Peffermyln appears to have been occupied by a family named Osborne, whose transactions with the Edgars are the subject of several records.

Many of the Edgars of Wedderlie were burgesses of Edinburgh. A branch of the Nithsdale Edgars early in the sixteenth century settled in Edinburgh, under the auspices of Lord Maxwell.

There seems to have been a connection between Murray of Broughton* in 1720, and James Edgar, writer in Edinburgh, and from the *Retours* we discover that certain Edgars possessed land in the Barony of Broughton; but this James Edgar must not be confounded with his namesake and contemporary.

James Edgar, writer in Edinburgh, an honorary burgess of the city, Extractor in the Court of Session and private clerk or secretary to Sir Gilbert Elliot, the first baronet of that family, had two daughters, viz.,—1. Margaret, married in 1742, Alexander Edgar, of Auchingrammont, and died in 1791. 2. Elizabeth, married, in 1739, John Myln of Edinburgh, and had issue—1. John, progenitor of the families of Milne and Ritchie of Edinburgh aud Redford, 2, Edgar, physician. 3. James (*ob. s. p.*). 4. Priscilla. 5. Margaret, married Dr Colin Lauder † of Edinburgh, who by him had issue—1. William Preston, M.D., married Harriet, daughter of General Harry Dalmer (*ob. s. p.*). 2. A daughter, who married a Mr. Guild; and left issue—1. Margaret, married Lieut.-Col. Edenborough. 2. Eliza, married Admiral James Ferguson. 3. Jesse, married Nathaniel Spens, of Craigsanquhar.

EDGAR OF NEWTOUN, BERWICKSHIRE.

Richard Edgar, son of Oliver (son of another Richard of Wedderlie), who married Margaret, daughter of George Pringle, of Torwoodlee in 1564, and acquired Newtoun de Birgham, (now known as Eccles-Newton) early in the seventeenth century, was succeeded, about 1645, by his son George, who in 1648 was one of the commissioners for putting the kingdom in a posture of defence. The latter had a long feud with Thomas Ker, of Mersington, which was terminated in 1661, by an act of the Estates, in Ker's favour. (Acts of Parliament, vol. vi. 299, vol. vii. 37.)

Richard Edgar, of Newtoun, who lived at the time of the Revolution of 1668, was an Episcopalian, a Nonjuror, and one of the few gentlemen of the county, who stood by Charles, Earl of Home, in his opposition to the new government. He was one of three who, in May, 1691, went with Henry Home, of Kames, into the church of Eccles, and interrupted the ordination of the Rev. John Lauder. In 1702 he married Rachel Maxwell, by whom he had two sons; Richard, his successor, and Andrew, who married Grace, daughter of the Rev. James Allen, minister of Eyemouth. He was grandfather of the Rev. John Edgar, minister of Hutton, in Berwickshire, who died on the 2nd April, 1858, in his

* This was the *traitor*, but perhaps he was not so culpable as represented. He was a Freemason of the Canongate Kilwinning Lodge of Edinburgh.

† He was a direct descendant of the first Baronet of Fountainhall.

seventy-third year. The latter married, 7th June, 1814, Jessie, daughter of Abraham Logan, of Burnhouses, and had issue Andrew, barrister-at-law, of the Middle Temple, and LL.D. John George, born 1827, died 15th April, 1854, and others. The first mentioned who represents the Edgars of Newtoun, married 1st (1850) Mary Ann daughter of the late E. Bichnell Esq (*d.* 1858) by whom he has a son Logan Bichnell Edgar of Trinity Hall, Cambridge and of the Middle Temple, and 2dly (1864) Emily Elizabeth, daughter of the late Humphry Ballard Esq. The last mentioned was the author of several popular works, of which the best known are "Boyhood of Great Men," "Footprints of Famous Men," and "History for Boys." He also contributed some materials for the present work:

Richard Edgar, eldest son of the Jacobite and Nonjuror, succeeded his father as Edgar, of Newtoun, and having married, in 1728, Margaret, daughter of George Bell of Rigg, he had two sons and two daughters. Of these Margaret, born 1734, and Richard, born 1736, attained maturity.

Richard, after being an officer in the Berwickshire Militia, entered the 25th Regiment as a lieutenant. In 1757 he accompanied the regiment to the Continent, and fell during the seven years' war. In consequence his sister Margaret, on her father's death in 1767, succeeded to the estate of Newtoun. Having married William Hunter, of Linthill, Roxburghshire, she had two sons, William, who died young, and Lieutenant Colonel Richard Edgar Hunter, 1st Dragoon Guards, who was killed by falling from his horse, as he was returning from a meeting of heritors. He died unmarried and after his death there was a long litigation about the succession, in the Court of Session and House of Lords; the estate being claimed by the Rev. John Edgar as heir of entail under a Disposition executed by his great uncle Richard Edgar, the son of the Nonjuror. It was held, however, that the entail had been broken by a deed executed *alio intuitu* by Mrs. Hunter, the mother of the last proprietor. Thus the estate of Newtoun passed from the Edgars into the hands of others.

EDGAR FROM DUNSE, BERWICKSHIRE, AND OF AUCHINGRAMMONT, LANARKSHIRE.

Nearly connected with the House of Wedderlie * is that of the Edgars of Auchingrammont, who have the advantage of uniting another family of the same name by the marriage of Alexander Edgar of Auchingrammont in 1742, with the daughter of James Edgar of the Melrose branch of Wedderlie derived intermediately, from the Edgars of Grueldykes (Dunse).

* Major F. Pemberton Campbell, 14th Hussars, grandson and heir of the late Admiral Alexander Edgar, only surviving son of the late laird of Wedderlie, represents the direct line.

John Edgar, Laird of Wedderlie, was, in 1674, sued by Mr. Chieslie, surgeon, of Dunse, for the maintenance of his younger brother Alexander, then Mr. Chieslie's apprentice. This lawsuit and others continued till the close of the seventeenth century. On the establishment of the Edinburgh College of Surgeons, Alexander Edgar became a member, as did also his cousin Thomas Edgar, and that he is identical with the apprentice of Mr. Chieslie, an order for him "to settle the affairs of his late master Mr. Chieslie" clearly shows. Thomas Edgar, son of the previous Thomas, had property in Dunse; in which town James, father of the first Edgar of Auchingrammont, was a Surgeon.

The traditions of the family of Auchingrammont, supported by the uncertain evidence of old-fashioned silver plate, bearing the arms of Wedderlie, asserted that they were the descendants of a cadet of Wedderlie, inasmuch as the father of the first Edgar of Auchingrammont was an Edgar of Dunse; that he took with him to Jamaica, portraits of the Edgars of Wedderlie; and that on his return he married a relative named Edgar, by whom he acquired property in the Lawn Market, &c., Edinburgh.

In 1754, Alexander Edgar, then in possession of Auchingrammont, which he had owned for many years, was styled by the designation of "from Nether-houses.*" He was then living within the bounds of South Leith, near Hillhousefield, adjacent to the village of the Water of Leith, both of which places are contiguous to the baronies of Broughton, Restalrig, and other places mentioned in the "Inquisitiones Generales" of 1599, as including property appertaining to Edgars from Berwickshire.

Early in the eighteenth century, the Edgars of Auchingrammont owned property in Jamaica,† viz., Wedderlie plantation, and Osborne, in the parish of St. George. The latter was named after a *Mr. Osborne, surgeon*, probably of the *Peffermyln* family, who settled in Jamaica towards the close of the seventeenth century.

In an old silver-bossed family Bible, the property of Margaret Edgar, the last of her family who owned Auchingrammont, is the following entry:—"Alexander Edgar, born 1698."‡ The locality of his birth is not given, and, as parish registers in Scotland are imperfect, it might be difficult to find this entry of baptism, although that of Peter Edgar, a younger brother, is recorded in the Dunse register. Alexander Edgar is, in the record of his purchase of Auchingrammont, stated to have returned from Jamaica. His younger brother Peter, of Bridgelands, married in 1743 Anne, daughter of the Rev. John Hay, minister of Peebles, and was father of Anne (the wife *first* of James Leslie of Deanhaugh, by whom she had two daughters and a son who was drowned in infancy, and *secondly* of Sir Henry Raeburn;) of an only son, John Edgar, Writer to the Signet, who died *s.p.* in 1799, besides other daughters.

In 1742 Alexander Edgar married Margaret (*ob.* 1791), daughter of James Edgar, writer in

* There are only four Netherhouses mentioned in the Scottish Gazetteers. The place here meant is not that portion of Auchingrammont which merged in the town of Hamilton, but a "land of houses" in Edinburgh.

† There was a Scottish family of Edgar connected with Jamaica early in the eighteenth century, which settled at Bristol, and their baptismal names were Preston, Alexander, Archibald, &c. The late Mr. Alexander Edgar of Bristol was J.P. for the county of Gloucester.

‡ This page is wanting in the Dunse register.

Edinburgh, clerk to Sir Gilbert Elliot of Minto, as before stated. James Edgar left no male issue, but had a son Robert who died in infancy.

The issue of Alexander Edgar of Auchingrammont by his wife Margaret Edgar were—1. Alexander, *ob.* 1820; 2. James, of Auchingrammont, *ob.* 1810; 3. Handasyde, M.D., *ob.* 1806; 4. Susan, *ob.* 1778, aged twenty-two; and 5. Charity.

James Edgar, originally from Melrose, married the daughter of a Handyside or Handasyde of Kelso, and afterwards of Edinburgh, named Priscilla Handasyde. The latter's pedigree is readily obtainable from the Kelso Parish Register. The wife of the other writer in Edinburgh, also named James Edgar, was Eliza Lithgow. This latter James Edgar had sons who died in infancy, named John, Alexander, James. He is merely mentioned casually to distinguish the two families.

A portion of the patrimony of Alexander, the son of Alexander and Margaret of Auchingrammont, consisted of ground rents and tenements at Edinburgh, and a reference to the City Register of Sasines confirms the tradition of a connection with Wedderlie.

James Edgar became "of Auchingrammont" by the breaking of the entail and surrender of Auchingrammont to him by his *elder brother Alexander*, who was returned their father's heir in 1777, and had seisin of the said property. On the 1st March 1783, there is a "seisin" in favour of James, as heir of his brother Alexander of Auchingrammont.

A synopsis of pedigree is subjoined.

Alexander Edgar, of Auchingrammont, born 1698, married, in 1742, Margaret, elder daughter and co-heir of James Edgar, writer in Edinburgh, honorary burgess of that city, and clerk to Sir Gilbert Elliot, first baronet of Minto. He died in 1777, and was buried in the churchyard of Hamilton; she died in 1791, leaving issue—

I. James, who succeeded to Auchingrammont. Married, 25th March, 1789, Eliza Lorington, and died October 13, 1810, leaving issue—

1. James, *ob. inf.*, of whom there is a fine portrait by Sir Henry Raeburn.
2. Alexander, *ob. inf.*
3. John, *ob. inf.*
4. Mary Anne, *ob. inf.*
5. Margaret. She succeeded to Auchingrammont, which she sold; and died, unmarried, October 12, 1857.
6. Eliza Priscilla, died unmarried.

II. Alexander, married, 10th July, 1797, Anne, daughter of Henry Gordon, son of — Gordon by his second wife Anne, d. of Christopher Taaffe by his wife Rachel Lawrence,* daughter of Lawrence

* The family of Lawrence, of St. Ives, Huntingdonshire, is said to be descended from Edmund, fourth son of Sir John Lawrence, of Ashton Hall, co. Lancaster. Sir John Lawrence, ex-Abbot of Ramsey, co. Huntingdon, whose nephew, William Lawrence, of St. Ives, in the same county, was High Sheriff of Cambridgeshire in 1572, married Frances Honston, by whom he had a son, Sir John Lawrence, Knt., who married Elizabeth, daughter and heiress of John Hagar, of Bourne Castle, and had by her a son, Sir John Lawrence, Knt., who by his wife Elizabeth, daughter and

Lawrence, by his wife Susanna, daughter of John Lawrence and Susanna Pelgrave. Alexander Edgar died December 25th, 1820, and is buried in St. Cuthbert's churchyard, Edinburgh. By his wife, who died April 30, 1857, he had issue.

The issue of Alexander Edgar and Anne Gordon were as follow:—

1. Alexander, *b.* 9th Sept., 1807; Captain in the 63rd Regiment; *ob.* unm. 1837.

2. Henry, *b.* 24th February, 1815; late Captain 26th Regiment.

3. James Handasyde; *b.* June 24, 1816; Lieut.-Colonel 69th Regiment.

4. Margaret, *b.* 1st July, 1798; *m.* Lt.-Col. Hugh McGregor, and had issue, Alexander Edgar, *d.* unm., and Anne Murray, *d. s. p.*

5. Anne, *b.* 15th January, 1800; *m.*, 1821, James White, M.D., and had issue, a daughter. Dr. James White was brother of Dr. White, Inspector-General of Army Hospitals, previously Surgeon of the 16th Lancers.

6. Mary, *b.* 11th January, 1802; *m.* October 15, 1822, J. H. Archer, M.D., and had issue—
   (1) James Henry.
   (2) A daughter.

7. Elizabeth, *b.* 19th June, 1803; *m.* George Archer,† M.D., 64th Regiment, and had issue, an only child, Captain W. M. Archer of the 78th Highlanders, who *d.* unm. in 1861.

8. Susan, *b.* 12th December, 1805; *ob.* unm., 1859.

9. Louisa, *b.* 18th December, 1809; *m.* Rev. S. Jackson, and had issue, John B., a son, *d.* unm. and 2 daughters.

10. Jemima, *b.* 15th February, 1813; *ob. inf.*

11. Catherine, *b.* 7th June, 1819; *ob.* unm.

heiress of Ralph Waller, of Clerkenwell (a cousin of the poet Waller), had two sons, the younger of whom, John, was ancestor of Sir Soulden Lawrence, whose line terminated with the late Miss Lawrence of Studley Park, who bequeathed that noble estate to Earl de Grey. Henry, the elder son, married Amy, daughter and heiress of Sir E. Peyton, of Isleham, Bart. He was an author of some repute, and though President of Cromwell's Council of State, held moderate views. He died in 1664, leaving with other issue Henry, created a baronet; a daughter, married to Richard, Earl of Barrymore; and a son, John, whose will, dated 1690, is on record in Jamaica. This John Lawrence, by his wife Jane Collins, relict of the Rev. Mr. Dunn, left with other issue a son, John Lawrence, who by his wife Susanna Pelgrave, had with other issue James of Fairfield, ancestor of the late Sir James Lawrence, and the eminent Mayor of Liverpool, his brother; Mary, his youngest daughter, grandmother of James first Lord Abinger; and Susanna, the eldest, who married Lawrence Lawrence of a distinct family, and was mother of Rachel, who married Henry Gordon, whose daughter Anne married in 1797 Alexander, son of Alexander Edgar of Auchingrammont, by whom she had a numerous family.

The wills and parish registers proving the descent from John Lawrence (1690) are recorded in the Island Secretary's Office, Jamaica.

† On the death of his first wife, who was drowned, off the coast of Spain, in 1846, Dr. Archer, married, secondly, Louisa, daughter of the Rev. — Hartwell, Vicar-General of the Isle of Man, by whom he had a son, Theodore, who died in infancy. His second wife survived him, and married at Allahabad in 1852, the present Sir E. H. Greathed, K.C.B., of Uddings House, co. Dorset. Her sister married Lt.-Col. W. Stuart, 86th Regiment.

III. Handasyde, M.D., F.R.S.,* born 27th March, 1754, married a daughter of — Simpson, of Bounty Hall,† Jamaica, and died *s. p.* June 8th, 1806.

1. Charity, *ob. inf.*

2. Susan; married James Hutton,‡ merchant in Leith, and had issue a son, John, who died *s. p.*

Peter Edgar, of Bridgelands, Peebles (brother of Alexander, of Auchingrammont), born in 1706; married, 1743, Anne, daughter, by his first wife, of the Rev. John Hay, minister of Peebles, and died, aged seventy-five, at Marchfield, near Cramond, January, 1781, leaving issue—

1. John, W.S., of Edinburgh, who died unm. in 1799.

2. Anne,§ *b.* 1744; *m.* (1st) James (called *Count*) Leslie, of Deanhaugh, and (2nd) Sir Henry Raeburn, and had issue by her first husband a son and two daughters, and by her *second*,

(1) Peter, *ob. inf.*

(2) Henry, *m.* Charlotte, daughter of John White, of Kellerstain and Howden, and left issue.

3. Margaret, *m.* John Tait, of Edinburgh, and had issue—

(1) George, Advocate and Sheriff Sub. of Edinburgh; *ob.* unm. (2) Alexander, Commander, R N. died unm. in 1866, leaving his fortune of £80,000 to his cousins, the Archbishop of Canterbury and his brothers; (3) John, W.S., *ob.* unm.; two daughters, *ob.* unm.

4. Jessie, *m.* — Oliphant, and had issue.

5. Susan, *m.* — Dickie, and had issue.

6. Helen, *m.* Henry Inglis, adv. of Edinburgh, and had issue—

(1) Richmond, *m.* Cochrane of Belretiro (Lochlomond).

(2) A daughter, *m.* Rev. A. Gordon and other children.

These were the children of Helen Edgar and Henry David Inglis a popular writer (better known as "Derwent Conway").

* This name was occasionally spelt *Hangitsyde* (Will of James H., of Coldstream, 30th Nov., 1654) and *Handyside* (Will of Margaret Pringle, relict of Andrew H., Writer in Edinburgh, 9th May, 1744). *Vide* will of Thomas Handasyd, of Caine Park, co. Huntingdon, proved April, 1729, at Doctors' Commons. Roger Handasyde (2nd general of the name) commanded the 16th Regiment until 1763. General Handasyde was Governor of Jamaica while Alexander Edgar was there, and though he subsequently settled in Huntingdonshire, it would appear from a passsage in Sir John Sinclair's Survey, that the same family were heritors in the parish of Hutton, Berwickshire. The name, indeed, is almost peculiar to the south-eastern counties of Scotland.

† A diploma was granted in 1772 to John Hutton, by Professor Andrew Dalzel, of the University of Edinburgh, and on September 8th, 1793, there is on record a proposed resignation by Dr. Mack of the surgeoncy of the 56th regiment, then at Waterford, in favour of Mr. Hutton. This was the Earl of Home's regiment. Some letters to Mr. Hutton, from Mr. Hamilton of Dalzel, and Mr. Purves of Purves Hall, still exist; but the papers of this branch of the Edgar family were destroyed under a clause in the will of the late Miss Mary Edgar.

‡ In reference to the marriage of Mrs. Leslie with Sir Henry Raeburn, Mr. William Anderson, editor of the *Scottish Nation*, writes: "The lady, Anne Edgar, daughter of Peter Edgar, Esquire, of Bridgelands, was much pleased with the skill, and likewise with the manners of the artist; and about a *month or so* after the adventure of the studio, she gave him her hand in marriage, bestowing at once an affectionate wife and a *handsome fortune*." The fortune was the result of her *first* marriage, and the artist was fifteen years younger than the lady.

EDGARS IN NITHSDALE AND ANNANDALE AND GALLOWAY.

In the Chartulary of Kelso the baptismal name of Edgar occurs amongst the descendants of the ancient lords of Nithsdale, supposed to have been related to the lords of Galloway and kings of Man, but must not be confounded with the surname.

The Earls of Dunbar, from whom the Edgars are understood to be descended, seem to have parted with their lands in Nithsdale before 1453. The latter continued till long after that period to be one of the most numerous *clans* (if this word may be used) in the district.

The origin of the family of Edgar with its numerous branches in the south-west of Scotland is probably attributable to the marriage of Richard Edgar in the time of Robert the Bruce with the co-heiress of Ros of Sanquhar, and also to Donald, son of the former. Some younger branches in the royal household may likewise have been settled by the Bruce on the lands about Lochmaben along with other servitors. Probably *Edward*, eldest of Richard Edgar's four sons, and who renounced his succession to Wedderlie, was progenitor of the various lairds of the name.

The following passage in Chalmers' "Caledonia" confirms these suppositions:*—

"During the reign of Robert Bruce, Richard Edgar possessed the castle and half of the barony of Sanquhar in Upper Nithsdale. Edgar also held the lands of Ellioc in the same district, and the lands of Bartmonade and of Lobri, of Slochan, of Glenabenkan, and part of the lands of Kilpatric in the same shire, of all which he obtained charters from Robert Bruce. He also obtained of the same king the barony of Kirkandrews. Donald Edgar (Richard's Son) acquired from King David II. the captainship of the clan MacGowan in Nithsdale. In the reign of David I. the territory of Sanchar formed a part of the extensive demesnes of Dougal of Stranill, from whom it descended to his son Duvenald, and from him to his son Edgar, whose progeny appear to have assumed the surname of Edgar. During the reign of Robert Bruce the barony was divided between Richard Edgar : . . and William de Crichton, "who held the other half in right of his wife Isabella de Ros."

During the reign of Queen Mary, lands in Nithsdale were granted by royal charter to Quintin the son of Ninian Edgar. In the Act in favour of John Maxwell, Earl of Morton (10th December, 1585), although many Edgars are mentioned, no notice occurs of the family of Inglistoun (Irongray); and, yet so far back as 1453, in the retour of Robert Lord Maxwell as heir of *Herbert*, Lord Maxwell, his father, besides Richard Edgar of *Garnsallacht*, there was on the inquest John Edgar of Ingliston. In 1664 (March 22), John Edzare of Inglistoune was absent from an assize for the trial of certain persons in the stewartry of Kirkcudbright; and in 1598 a John Edzer of Inglistoune was denounced as a rebel for his share in the "slauchter" of Patrick Maxwell of Dalquheon.

A James Edgar, in Kirkpatrick Irongray, died early in the eighteenth century, but it is very doubtful whether he could reasonably be accounted an impoverished descendant of the house of Inglistoun.

There were Edgars, lairds of Bombie, Kirkcudbrightshire, before the days of the McLennans; and

* "Caledonia," vol. iii., page 72.

we find the name in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries at Cornetown, Shireinton, Gilichtoun Kerringarroch, Correghe, Creoquhane, (otherwise *Creaken*) Doublahill, Kenter's Isle, Furd, Gullishill, Kirkland of Irongray, Lochkindeloch, Blackshaw, Elsieshiells, &c. To the last-named place Thomas Edgar, Provost of Dumfries, in 1730 bequeathed an annuity of £40 for the education of the poor.

In the seventeenth century an uninterrupted intercourse appears to have subsisted between the Edgars of Dumfries and those who had taken up their abode in Edinburgh and its environs.

The baronies of Holywood and Caerlaverock were largely inhabited by Edgars, the gradual subdivision of property in pastoral districts tending to perpetuate a patriarchal system. The Edgars of Bowhouse of Caerlaverock settled in Edinburgh and Fife. Those of Sheirinton, probably a branch of the Blackshaw family, betook themselves to commercial pursuits, and formed a connection with Edinburgh ; they also acquired property in Forfarshire. The Edgars of Kirkblane seem to have been identical with those of Bowhouse, and it is not improbable that the Chrystenhill Edgars were closely related to the Inglestoun family.

From Nithsdale, the Edgars strayed into Ayrshire, and Lanarkshire, in which latter county, during the earlier portion of last century, a farm called "Blackbird," was held by an Alexander Edgar. In Ayrshire before 1699, the heiress of one of the branches of Edgar of Edinburgh married a Mr. Rome of Cluden.

EDGARS OF INCHGALL, FIFE, AND EDINBURGH.

In the Act of the Scottish Parliament passed in 1585, in favour of Lord Maxwell, designed Earl of Morton, many Edgars are mentioned, among others Thomas Edgar of Bowhouse, and his sons John and Clement. Thomas Edgar was probably the father of Edward Edgar, by whom was purchased, in 1604, the barony of Inchgall, in Fife, an acquisition soon lost.

This branch of the Dumfriesshire family was powerful in Edinburgh, and had lands in other parts of the country; and the common origin of these branches is indicated on a tombstone in the churchyard of Holywood, which represents the arms of Maxwell of Cowhill impaled with those of Edgar of Wedderlie : the deceased is styled "the husband of Barbara Maxwell."

The barony of Lochore was formerly called Inchgall or Inchgaw; that barony or the western part of it formed the parish of Ballingry. In the reign of Charles I. this barony reverted to the Wardlaws, who then parted with it, and about fifty years later it came into the possession of a family named Malcolm ; it is now the property of Lady Scott, relict of Colonel Sir Walter Scott, Bart., son of the great novelist. The old tower is in part remaining, but the lake which surrounded it has been drained.

Robert, Duke of Albany, when Regent of Scotland, granted a Confirmation Charter of the lands of "Trakeware" (Traquair), in Peebleshire, to Watson of Cranystoun, dated "Apud Inchegall," September 27, 1407. (Reg. *Mag. Sigill, f.* 233)

Notices of this barony will be found in *Inquisitiones Speciales.* Under "Fife" (No. 389, May 23, 1627) the services of one of the heirs runs thus :—

"In terris et baronia de Lochirschyre-Wester alias nuncupatis Inchegall; terris nuncupatis

Flockhous et Bowhous * de Inchgall, cum lacu de Inchgall et jure patronatus Capellæ de Inchgall,† " &c.

EDGAR OF MIDLOCHARWOODS, DUMFRIES.

JOHN EDGAR, holding with others, a *pendicle*, or small division of land, at Rimdale, died in 1801, at the advanced age of 100 years. He had a kiln for drying corn for the neighbouring farmers, which, notwithstanding its dangerous construction, is supposed to have produced meal of a better flavour than any since invented. His son, Robert Edgar, born in Caerlaverock in 1776, died in June, 1863. He served in the Yeomanry Cavalry during the French war. He kept greyhounds and coursed with them after he was fourscore. He shipped great quantities of grain from Glencaple to Glasgow and other ports, when the Nith was much more used for shipping than it is now; and was also the first to establish a bone mill, and introduce that description of manure among the farmers of Nithsdale and Annandale.

John Edgar, his son, born in Caerlaverock in 1801, was an eminent engineer. He was in business in Dumfries from 1828 to 1852, and took much interest in draining, and the manufacture of peat. He was proprietor of Midlocharwoods, and had a son, the Rev. Robert Edgar, born in Dumfries in 1835.

EDGAR OF KEITHOCK, FORFARSHIRE.

THE estate of Kethick or Keithock, Forfarshire, a portion of the ancient possessions of the noble house of Lindsay, came into the Edgar family early in the seventeenth century. In January, 1613, Edgar of Keithock appears in the tax-roll of the sheriffdom of Forfar, at £44 10s. 4d. The *name* Edgar is found in the locality at an early period, viz., from 1202 to 1218, when the signatures of Robert and Thomas Edgar were attached to charters of the Bishop of Brechin, in favour of the abbey of Arbroath.

There were *two* separate families of Edgar, successively lairds of Keithock, in the seventeenth century. The second family purchased the estate from the former, about the year 1680, and there-

* There was a Roman camp at Inchgall, where the ninth legion was attacked and nearly destroyed by the Caledonians.

† Act. of Scot. Parl., 1585, and Inquis. Spec., 1627.

upon procured a grant of coat armour. The representative of the *ex-laird*, forty years afterwards, followed their example: he is accordingly styled in the Lyon register as of "Dantzig in Poland," and eldest son of Keithock—that is, of the dispossessed laird.

David Edgar of Keithock, who bought that property from Thomas,* father of John of Poland, had a large family, of whom were John and James, who were prominent in the Rebellion of 1715. The former died a prisoner in Stirling Castle, and the latter, escaping to Italy, became private secretary to the Chevalier St. George. A brief sketch of this remarkable person may not be unacceptable. James Edgar was a younger son of David Edgar of Keithock, by his wife Katherine Forester, and was born at Keithock on the 13th July, 1688.† Of his boyhood nothing is known; nor does it appear how he happened to enter the service of the Chevalier, but he must have done so early, as he occupied his post of assistant secretary for the long period of fifty years. On his demise he was succeeded by Andrew Lumsden, whose letters, incorporated in the Memoirs of Sir Robert Strange, contain frequent notices of his predecessor; and afford, in a few graphic touches, a remarkably clear idea of the placid and enduring old Jacobite, and his somewhat unrefined partiality for certain comestibles.‡

On the suppression of the civil war of 1715 James Edgar made his way to Keithock, and there applied to a tenant farmer named Bell, for the loan of a suit of labourer's clothes. In this disguise he succeeded in reaching the Continent, subsequently returning the borrowed apparel, which the worthy farmer preserved as a memorial of the adventure. Under similar circumstances, the suit was again called into requisition, thirty years later, by John Edgar, the secretary's favourite nephew, and also a stanch Jacobite.

It is only from casual observations by contemporaries, and his own letters, that we discover the little that is known of James Edgar. During his exile in Rome, he appears to have been in straitened circumstances; but his poverty was honourable, inasmuch as it was due in a great measure to his scruples, which, as a Protestant, incapacitated him from holding such remunerative situations, under the Pontifical government, as his master might otherwise have obtained for him. Andrew Lumsden tells us, that he had himself served as assistant secretary under James Edgar, before he succeeded the latter, but on so small a salary, that it was only with the addition of a French pension he was secured from actual want.

He farther informs us, that the *English* gentlemen whom he found in attendance on the prince were six in number, namely, his principal secretary, the titular Lord Lismore, whose wife resided in France, and who died in 1757; Mr. James Edgar, acting secretary, who managed the more important correspondence; and four others.

Field sports seem to have been among the pastimes of these exiles, for Lumsden says, writing in

* *Vide* Jervise's "Land of the Lindsays."

† Edgar of Keithock's *Family Bible.*

‡ "Memoirs of Sir R. Strange," p. 253: "As you [Sir R. S.] desire to send something to my worthy friend [Mr. Edgar], I believe you can send nothing more acceptable than some fine pigtail, for he eats a great deal of tobacco. You may likewise send him a cheese."

1753, "Last week we were four days at Montefortin, with an intention to hunt. The company consisted of Messrs. Edgar," &c.

The assistant secretary's convivial habits are likewise indicated by the observation, on his keeping the festival of the *national saint* of Scotland.

"Pray, how have you celebrated St. Andrew?" asks Mr. Lumsden of Captain Edgar.

"Mr. Edgar," replies the latter, "does great justice to the good saint."

The following anecdote confirms the secretary's reputation for fidelity. Some considerable time after "*the fifteen*" (as it was *a* fashion to style that eventful period), the British Government having reason to believe that another attempt for the restoration of the exiled family was about to be made, Sir Robert Walpole sent spies to discover in which of his attendants the Chevalier reposed the greatest confidence. In due course it was reported to the minister that the prince chiefly trusted his private secretary, the younger son of a poor Scottish laird, who, on a small salary, nevertheless indulged a hospitable disposition in entertaining his countrymen at Rome.

An offer of a handsome sum was made to the secretary, to induce him to betray the intentions of his master; but the former indignantly put the letter into the fire, and returned no answer. Several other offers, gradually increasing in amount, followed, but met the same fate; until at length, Sir Robert, imagining that he had not yet come up to the secretary's *price*, wrote to the latter, informing him, that £10,000 had been placed to his credit in the Bank of Venice; at the same time abstaining from any reference to his previous offers. Hereupon the secretary consulted his master, and after a brief interval replied; and while thanking Sir Robert for the money—which he had lost no time in drawing from the bank,—informed him, that he had just "laid it at the feet of his royal master, who had the best title to gold that came, as this had done, from *his own* dominions."

The Chevalier was deeply moved by this unexpected and kindly service, and, in token of his gratitude, presented his faithful adherent with a richly chased gold snuff-box. The gift was, of course, deeply prized by the devoted secretary, and it has been with equal care preserved by his representatives. It is now in the possession of J. D. Edgar, Esq., Toronto, head of the House of Keithock.

Secretary Edgar's duties seem to have been onerous, for his successor observes, on announcing his death, "You may easily believe what a real affliction, as well as additional fatigue, this must give me; it obliges me to execute both his own, and my own branch of *trade*."

George the Second ascended the throne without opposition, and, under the rule of Walpole, the authority of the Court triumphed over what was called *the Country party*. Public morality was at the lowest ebb; a spirit of avarice seemed to infect every rank of life; and it was even asserted in the House of Lords that the forfeited estates, instead of being applied to the service of the public, had become the reward of venality. The ill success of the ministers' *Tobacco Bill* increased the unpopularity of the Government, till at length the unfortunate reverse at Carthagena led to the disgrace of Walpole, whose official fall was dignified with the coronet of Orford. The infraction of the *pragmatic sanction*, in 1740, had involved Europe in a general war, in which the king, with his usual predilection for thrusting himself into the political affairs of the Continent, had joined; and *Dettingen* and *Fontenoy* were the consequence.

Meanwhile, the French projected the invasion of England, and Charles Edward Stuart hastened from Rome to Paris in the disguise of a courier, and entering into the designs of the French king, embarked for Scotland. The prince was unequal to the enterprise. The fatal indolence which characterized his proceedings after the victory of Prestonpans turned the scale of fortune against him, and the decisive battle of Culloden extinguished for ever the hopes of his dynasty.

It was immediately after this crushing defeat, that John Edgar, nephew of the secretary, arrived, a fugitive, at Keithock; and by a curious coincidence sought the protection and aid of the same farmer who, thirty years before, had facilitated the escape of his uncle. To his surprise he was told that he should be accommodated with the identical clothes in which his relative had found safety; and a kind-hearted Presbyterian minister, who was proceeding to Edinburgh, generously allowed the fugitive to ride behind him as his servant. On the way Edgar narrowly escaped detection by a party of soldiers, who recognised a gentleman, even in the mean garb of a rustic, but who were at length persuaded by the clergyman of their mistake.

Arrived at Edinburgh, John Edgar, under the name of Mr. Willoughby, called on a family to whom he was related. Directed to admit the uncouth visitor, the servant had her suspicions, and leaving the parlour door ajar, she watched the interview. The ladies of the family, believing themselves unobserved, embraced the fugitive; and this at once confirming the suspicions of the servant, she immediately hurried off to the nearest military post to give information; and the rebel only escaped, by five minutes, a party of soldiers which came to arrest him. The officer and his men searched the house, but finding no male rebel, fancied that one of the ladies, who was of a tall stature, must be a rebel in disguise, and would have carried her to prison, had not her brother, by removing the kerchief from her neck, satisfied him of his mistake. Later in the day the family reproached the servant for her treachery, but she excused herself by saying that, on the previous Sunday, her minister had preached that, "any one who concealed a rebel, would go to perdition."

After this adventure John Edgar was attending a female cousin on horseback, as her groom, and being unobserved, as he thought, rode up to her side, when suddenly a troop of horse made its appearance, and the sergeant in command beckoned to him. For a moment he hesitated, but on second thoughts he approached the sergeant, who, to his great relief, asked him to convey a message to his landlady in the neighbouring town, that *he had been suddenly ordered away and could not return*—probably to pay his bill.

At length the fugitive succeeded in reaching London, where he had several introductions to persons of that numerous class who, though well disposed to a cause, do not commit themselves until success be assured. These good friends, however, must have been indiscreet, for they were *suspected*, and, consequently, Edgar had some difficulty in delivering his letters.* But he seems to have been a *physiognomist*, and as it was impossible to avoid a certain amount of risk, he generally satisfied himself of a stranger's expression of countenance before accosting him to ask his way through the strange town. One day, to his inquiry, the gentleman addressed, after a pause, replied, "Follow me." Edgar

* Letters in possession of the family.

did so, but, at length, was surprised at the distance they had gone; when his guide stopped and showed him the house he sought for. The following day he went to deliver a letter to a Mr. Falconer, and recognised in him his acquaintance of the previous day.

"How could you," said Edgar, "show such kindness to a common-looking countryman?" *

"I saw at once," replied the other, "that you were one of those unfortunate gentlemen now in hiding, and I was afraid of your falling into bad hands."

After many unsuccessful attempts the fugitive gave up the idea of escaping to the Continent, as all the ports were strictly watched, and vessels bound for the opposite coasts were subjected to a rigid search. He therefore determined on joining his uncle Thomas, who had emigrated to New Jersey, in 1725, and accordingly, without difficulty, embarked for America. But, unfortunately, the captain of the vessel was a *native of Montrose*, with a wife in that town; and, in order to pay her a farewell visit, he put the ship about, and steered the unusual course round *Cape Wrath*, touching at Montrose, where for a week, his unfortunate passenger lay concealed in the hold, as, owing to Keithock being in the neighbourhood, many persons there would certainly have recognised him. At length the skipper made up his mind to continue the voyage, but they were scarcely halfway across the Atlantic, when they were chased by a French privateer. Anxiously as every one else on board hoped to escape, the fugitive Jacobite had other thoughts; and when they were ultimately captured, on discovering himself to his captors his property was restored. On being carried into a French port he proceeded at once to Paris, where he found many of his Forfar neighbours, and obtained a commission in Lord Ogilvy's regiment of the Scottish Brigade. Afterwards, he joined his uncle at Rome; and in 1756, after the publication of the *Act of Indemnity*, he returned to Scotland, and married, in 1762, Catherine Ogilvy, a ward of Ogilvy of Inshewan. By the secretary he was recommended to visit Ipswich, where, at the *Red House*, resided an ancient and wealthy family of his name; but the advice was ignored or forgotten.

Secretary Edgar's long declining health had excited the fears of his assistant ever since his return from Germany; after a few days of severe illness he expired on the 24th of September, 1764. In announcing the event to his nephew John Edgar of Keithock, Mr. Lumsden writes:—"When I informed his master of his death, he expressed an uncommon and *real* concern for the loss of so old and faithful a servant, and whose worth he perfectly knew; and he desired me to condole with you sincerely, in his name, on this mournful occasion. . . . As to myself, I have lost one who bore me all the tenderness of a father and the warmth of a friend. The many obligations with which he loaded me will make his memory ever precious." To Prince Charles, under the *alias* of Mr. John Douglas, Lumsden on the 29th September following wrote thus:—"Last week I had the honour to inform you of Mr. Willoughby's (*i. e.* Edgar's) indisposition, and it is with the utmost affliction I am now obliged to tell you that he died on the 24th inst. He had been long in a bad state of health, but endeavoured all he could to conceal it. In him you have lost a most faithful, zealous servant, and one who loved you from the bottom of his heart."

* The Edgar Papers.

Secretary Edgar's nephew, John, survived him until the year 1788, when he died, leaving a numerous issue. But the estate of Keithock, which had been the paramount object of his life's solicitude, passed from his posterity, and is now in the possession of strangers.

One of the sons of David Edgar, of Keithock, emigrated to America, and there purchased an estate near the city of Elizabeth, State of New Jersey. The estate he styled Edgartown, after his family name; it is still possessed by the family. Of his numerous descendants, several have attained great opulence and influential positions in the States of New Jersey and New York.

The circumstances attending the death of John Edgar are sufficiently characteristic to claim a passing notice. When the news reached England of the death of Prince Charles Edward, he desired Catherine, his eldest daughter, to assist him up-stairs to his bedroom. "My royal master is dead," said he, "and his old servant will not be long of following him." Nature was probably exhausted, and the coincidence aptly closed so loyal a career.

An anecdote of John Edgar and the prince is related by Mr. Edgar's granddaughter. Edgar was Postmaster-General to the prince, during his brief occupation of Edinburgh. One of his duties was to examine all letters leaving the town. In a letter from a young lady to a friend in the country she mentioned that the rebels were in the town 1,000 strong. This being nearly the truth, Edgar asked the prince whether the letter might be forwarded.

"Add a 'o,'" was his reply, "and let it go."

Cardinal York appreciated the unobtrusive services of the Edgars, and in the family of the latter are still preserved many of the personal effects of his father and brother, including miniatures of the two princes, and of Mary, Queen of Scots; besides other valuable relics of the Stuart family, the bequests of the cardinal to Mr. Edgar. The personal effects of Secretary Edgar never reached his relatives in Scotland; and an absurd story was brought home by an Aberdeen skipper that they had been lost during the *great earthquake* at Lisbon. The truth seems to be that the skipper appropriated them to his own use; for, many years afterwards, a *portrait* known to have belonged to Secretary Edgar was accidentally discovered in Scotland, by his relatives, under circumstances of suspicion.

There are *two* portraits of James Edgar extant; and *one* of his father David, the *second* of that name who possessed Keithock.

Secretary Edgar's eldest brother, Alexander, succeeded to the estate of Keithock. He married the eldest daughter of Peter Turnbull of Smiddyhill, Forfarshire, by his wife, Euphemia Henderson, daughter of William Henderson of Hallyards. His youngest daughter, Jane, married Alexander Wise, of Lunan, and Alexander Edgar of Keithock is one of the witnesses to the contract of marriage.

A younger brother, Henry, was third and last Bishop of Fife, and for thirty-six years pastor of the Episcopal church in Arbroath, where he died (as intimated by his tombstone in the abbey burial-ground) on the 21st of August, 1765, in the seventy-first year of his age.

Keithock was sold in 1790, two years after the death of John Edgar, the Secretary's nephew. In the representation of the family, this gentleman was succeeded by Thomas, his eldest son, born in March, 1775. Thomas died in 1831, and was succeeded by his younger brother James, born 4th April, 1777. This gentleman married Barbara, daughter of J. Hamilton, Esq., an opulent

merchant in Glasgow, by whom he had a family of two sons and three daughters. Anne Hamilton, the eldest daughter, married J. G. Plomer, Esq, of Helstone, Cornwall, and had issue two sons and two daughters. Catherine, the second daughter, died unmarried, in 1871. Mary Caroline, third daughter, resides at Aix-la-Chapelle. John, the elder son, embraced the Roman Catholic faith, and became a monk; he died from exposure in the discharge of his professional duties. James, the younger son, born in 1819, married, in 1840, Grace, eldest daughter of the Rev. David Fleming, M.A., minister of Carriden, Linlithgowshire. Proceeding to Canada, he purchased lands near Sherbrooke, in the province of Quebec, which he designated Keithock, after the family estate; he died 6th April, 1851, leaving one son and two daughters. Eliza Catherine, the elder daughter, married W. P. Wilkie, Esq., advocate, Edinburgh, who died in September, 1872. Grace, the younger daughter, married Richard Thorne, merchant, Toronto, and has issue. James David, the only son, married Matilda, second daughter of Thomas Gibbs Ridout, Esq., Toronto, and has issue two sons, James Frederick, and Oscar Pelham, and a daughter, Maude Caroline. James David Edgar is a barrister-at-law at Toronto, and Member of the Canadian Parliament. He is head and representative of the house of Keithock.

EDGARS IN IRELAND.

A BRANCH of the Scottish Edgars is settled in Ireland. The family tradition is, that four Edgars, brothers, came to Ulster in the earlier part of the reign of William III., of whom one joined the army, and another settled near Castlewellan, county Down, where his descendants remain, now spelling the name with a *phonetic* variation. A third settled in the district of Ards, and the fourth near Gilford, where they held several farms, and where the name has become localized.

Of this last branch there were two brothers, one of whom—the Presbyterian minister of Loughageny, was father of the Rev. Dr. S. O. Edgar, the author of a learned work on Popery; and the other, father of the Rev. — Edgar, Presbyterian Professor of Divinity at Belfast, and father of the late Rev. John Edgar, D.D., LL.D., Professor of Divinity at Belfast, Vice-President of Belfast College, an eminent leader in the Temperance movement and other salutary reforms. He died in 1866, aged sixty-nine.

EDGARS IN ENGLAND.

ALTHOUGH no connection appears to exist between the Edgars of Ipswich and those derived from Wedderlie, it is curious that in a letter of the Secretary James Edgar to his nephew, (see page 21) he recommends the latter, *not* to omit visiting his namesake at Ipswich. It is, therefore, evident that

he recognised some common origin. If any such origin can be suggested, it must be dated back to the thirteenth century at the latest.

The Edgars of Bristol, in the latter part of the seventeenth, and throughout the eighteenth century, were certainly of Scottish extraction. It has been suggested that they were a branch of the Edgars of Dunse, but it is more probable that they sprang from the Edgars of Peffermyln.

The following narrative concerning the Edgars of Glenham and Ipswich, in the county of Suffolk, is transcribed from the family register of the house, commenced in 1641 by Thomas Edgar, Esq., of North Glenham.

"This register, coming to my—this 7th day of December, 1734, is a transcript of my mother, Mrs. Mary Edgar, widow, and relict of Thomas Edgar, Esq., my father, Recorder, therein transcribed for perpetuity (*sic*).

"Philip Powle was born 24th February, 1582, and am 49, if live to the 24th February, 1631.

"Mary Powle, my wife, was born 2 day of December, 1590, if she lives to the 2nd day of December 1631, she will be 41 years old.

"Our daughter, Mary Powle,* was born 27 December, 1616, if she lives to the 27 December, she will be 15 years old.

"1. Philip Edgar, eldest child of Thomas Edgar Esq. and Mary his wife, was born at Muzell Hill in the parish of Hansey in the county of Middlesex 29 day of July 1636, after 3 in the afternoon, and baptized 5 August in my house. Philip died of a dropsy, 21 June 1654 at 6 at night, buried in the Tower Chancel in Ipswich on Sunday 23 Jan. 1654.

"2. Thomas, 2nd son of Thomas and Mary Edgar was born in St. Thomas the Apostle, London, Monday, 1st October 1638, ¼ past 7 in the morning. Baptized 10th October, died of a consumption 25 May 1641, buried in the parish church of St. Mary Aldermanbury, London.

"3. Mary Edgar, 3rd child or eldest daughter born Sept. 19 1641 ¼ before 6 at night, baptized on the 29th of the same month at St. Mary Tower in Ipswich, she died of the rickets, May 24 1643, buried in St. Mary Tower church 26 May 1643.

"4. Elisabeth Edgar, 4th child and 2nd daughter, born Wednesday Feb. 15 1642, at ½ past 10 in the morning, baptized last day of Feby. 1642, in Tower Church, died of a consumption 8 o'clock at night 19 June 1659. Buried 21 June 1659 in the Tower Church, Ipswich.

"5. Thomas Edgar, 5th child and 3rd son, born Wednesday 13 March 1646 at ½ past 9 at night in the Tower parish, and died at the Red House in St. Margaret's Parish. He was baptized 21 May, 1646, and buried in St. Mary Tower church 6 Dec. 1677, of small-pox.

"6. Robert Edgar, 6th child, born Saturday 27th April 1650, ¼ of an hour before 12 at noon, in Tower parish, baptized in my hands in the same church 30 of April 1650, died of small-pox 30 of June.

"7. Devereux Edgar, 5th son and 7th child, born Monday Oct. 20 1651 at 11 at noon in Tower parish Ipswich, baptized 28 of same month in Tower Church Ipswich, which said Devereux, by the

* Mary Edgar, by her own handwriting, was 38 years old December 27, 1654. She was the only child and sole heir of the above Philip Powle, who was a wholesale dealer and draper in Watling Street, London.

blessing of Almighty God, is the transcriber of these births and burials, without the assistance of any artificial optics, being in the 84th year of my age.

"8. Mary Edgar, 8th child and 3rd daughter, was born on Sunday 21 May 1654, at a ¼ before 9 at night, and was baptized the next day, being Monday (in my house) the 22nd, and died of a looseness and vomiting 17 April 1661, at 5 in the morning and buried in St Mary Tower chancel 18 April 1661.

"9. Katherine Edgar, the 9th child and 4th daughter, was born on Thursday, the 8th of June 1656, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon, and was baptized the same day at my house in Tower parish, by Mr. Frensham, minister of the same parish; she died single, 10 November 1718, aged 63, buried in the chancel of the parish of St. Mary Tower, in the vault, there built by my brother, Dev. Edgar, Esq.

"10. Frances Edgar, the 10th child, born on Monday 23rd August 1659, at 7 at night, baptized the 26th by Mr. Beek, vicar of St. Margaret's Ipswich. The said Frances was cut for the stone in the bladder 24 December 1667 by Mr. Robert Gouling, chirurgeon, in the presence of the Right Honourable Leicester, Viscount Hereford, and old Dr. Wollaston. The stone when taken from her weighed one ounce and half. She was eight years and four months of age when cut, and lived after cutting all her life after in good health without pain or any stoppage or difficulty of urine, and died at St. Mary Tower parish, in Grimstone House, and buried in a vault in the South East side of the Chancel of the Church of the parish, in the vault which Devereux Edgar Esq. made for a repository or conservatory for the family of the Edgars, which said Frances died single, 6th day of April in the 76th year of her age, and was buried the 19th of June."

Entries in the Family Bible of the Edgars of Keithock.

David Edgar & Kathirine Forrester were married at Dundee by Mr. William Rait, 11th June, 1674.

At Edinburgh, 21st May, 1676, Alexander Edgar was born and baptized in the Tron Church the Lord's Day following. Witness thereto, James Moncrieff, John Robertson, Mr. R——, Mr. George Campbell, James Bain and John Couper (died 18th Feb. 1757 N.S.

William Edgar was born 23rd November, 1677, and baptised in the College Kirk 2nd December thereafter (being the Lord's Day). Sir William Sharp, James & William Carnegy, witnesses. He died 5th December, 1698.

George Edgar was born on Friday, 15th November, 1678, and baptized at the College Kirk by Mr. McQueen, 1st December, 1678. Witnesses, George, Earl of Panmure, and the persons above set down.

David Edgar was born on Saturday, 8th May, 1680, and was baptized at the College Kirk on the Lord's Day following by Mr. McQueen.

Thomas Edgar was born on Wednesday, 19th October, 1681. Baptized in the College Kirk by Mr. Irving, the 30th said month. The witnesses above named. [He settled in New Jersey.]

John Edgar was born at Montrose upon the Sabbath Day, and christened the same night by Mr. David Lyell. Witnesses—The lairds of Logie, Comiston, and Brotherton, R. Coutts, Andrew Hay, E. Reynolds. My dearest wyffe died 16th June, 1683.

David Edgar and Elizabeth Guthrie (Cairsebank's daughter) were married at St. Vigeans by Mr. Patrick Strachan, 14th January, 1686. O. G. born 29th July, 1654; died 25th August, 1723.

Robert Edgar was born at the Wester Seatown, 12th November, 1686, and baptized at St. Vigeans the 16th day. Witness thereto—the Lairds of Boningtown, Newgrange, Elder and Younger Newtown, Auchmithie, and the minister. Died 1687.

James Edgar, born at Keithock, on Friday, 13th July, 1688. Baptized at Brechin the 16th day. Godfathers—the Earl of Panmure, the (Bishops) of Brechin in Smedleyhill, the Commissary James Bair(d ?), & the lairds of Find . . . ., Strickathro, Dulladies. (He was out in the "'15," went abroad, and was forty years and upwards private secretary to King James the 8th, and died in 1764, unmarried.)

Magdalen Edgar, born the 4th Apprile 1690, and christened Thursday, the 5th May. Witness—the Lairds of Auldbar and Findowrie, Smiddyhill, Dulladies, Mr. James Guthrie, George Turnbull, William Gray. Died the 18th March, 1726.

Margaret Edgar was born on Monday, the 2nd May, 1692, and christened the 3rd day. The ladys of Findowrie & Strickathrow and my sister, Godmothers. And witness above set down, and the minister and John Donaldson.

Robert Edgar was born on Tuesday, the 27th June, 1693, about one in the morning, and was christened the same (day ?). Godfathers—the Laird of Auldbar and Mr. Robert James. Witness—Strickathrow, Smiddyhill, Elder and Younger Balglassie, and John Spence.

Elizabeth Edgar was born on Friday, the 10th August, 1694, about six in the morning, and was christened at 12, and died at six that night. Witness—Strickathro, Smiddyhill Elder and Younger, with their Ladys, P. Coutts, the Lairds of Auldbar and Balmadies.

Helen Edgar was born the 24th, and christened on Monday, the 28th of October, 1695. Witness—the Lairds of Auldbar, Smiddyhill, Elder and Younger, Strickathro', the Sheriff of Edinburgh's wyffe Helen Guthrie, my cousin, Godmother. She died the 28th of May, 1700.

Henry Edgar was born on Friday, the 8th, and christened the 11th Aprile, 1698. His Godfathers the Laird of Kellie and Monagand and Mr. Henry Guthrie. Witness—the Lairds of Auldbar, Strickathro, Smiddyhill Elder and Younger, and the Fiscal and his wyffe.

Alexander Edgar (eldest son of David Edgar and K. Forrester), and Margaret Skinner were married at Dulladies by Mr. James Guthrie, the 12th September, 1723.

David Edgar was born at Keithock the 29th of June, and baptized privately the same day, and died 6th of February, 1725.

John Edgar was born at Keithock the 29th of June, and baptized privately the same day, in the yr. 1725. Died the 4th of April, 1788.

Margaret Edgar was born the 15th Feb., 1727. Died 1739. (?)

Katherine Edgar was born on the 18th August, and christened privately on the 22nd, yr. 1728.

Jean Edgar was born on the 14th May, 1730, betwixt one and two o'clock morning, and privately baptized by Mr. John Skinner, her grandfather, by whom all ye above children were baptized. [Her son, Mr. Alexr. Brown, died in 1824.]

John Edgar (son of Alexr. above), married Catherine Ogilvy in Feb., 1762.

Katharine Edgar, born 1st Decr., 1762; married Bishop Watson of Dunkeld, Octr., 1800. One daughter (Cathe. Mary), and one son, John, died in 1840. She died 1845.

James, born 1763. Died 1775.

Alexander, born 1764. Died unm., 1823.

Mary Edgar, born 1765. Died unm., 1827.

John Edgar, born 1766. Died in the West Indies, 1788.

Henrietta and William died in infancy.

Susan Edgar, born 1769. Died unm., 1844.

Robert Edgar, born 1770. Died 1782.

Thomas Edgar, born 1775. Died 7 Sep., 1831.

James Edgar, born 1777. Died 1841. He m. Anne Barbara Hamilton, 1813, and left 2 sons and 3 daughters. John died unmarried. James married Grace Fleming, and died, leaving one son James, and 2 daughters, Eliza and Grace.

From Family Bible mentioned in Will of Margaret Edgar, the Last of Auchingrammont.

Alexander Edgar, born 1698.

From Family Bible formerly in possession of the late Handaside Edgar, F.R.S.,

Handaside Edgar, M.D.

Margaret Edgar, born 1st July, 1798. Godfather and mother, Dr. and Mrs. Edgar.

Ann Edgar, born 15 Jany. 1800. Godfathers, Dr. Edgar, Wm. Green, and John Williams; Miss Gordon and Miss Findlater, Godmothers.

Mary Edgar, born 11 January, 1802. Her Godfathers and mothers, Dr. Edgar, Mr. and Mrs. Munro, Rachel Gordon.

Elizabeth Edgar, born 19 June, 1803. Godfathers and mothers, Dr. Edgar, Wm. and Miss Eliz. Gordon, and Robert Sterling of Keir.

Susanna, born 12 Dec., 1805. Thos. Lawrence Gordon, Mary Edgar, Mrs. J. R. Mitchell, and Rachel Gordon.

Alexander, born 9 Sep., 1807. Wm. Green* and John Wallace, Godfathers; Mrs. Green, Godmother.

Louisa, born 18 Sep., 1809. Mrs. Lamont, Mrs. Lyon, Jno. Harwood, Henry Gordon.

Jemima, born 15 Feb., 1813.

Henry, b. 24th Feb., 1815.

James Handaside, b. 24th June, 1816.

Catherine, b. 7 June, 1819.†

* Grandfather of the present Earl of Harrington.

† Alexander Edgar, the father of these children, resided many years in Jamaica, where he had a plantation named Wedderly. His tomb is in the burial ground of the West Church, Edinburgh, and his "trust settlement" was recorded in the Register House of that city two years after his decease.

Extracts from Chartularies.

In the Chartulary of Kelso printed by the Roxburghe Club, Sir Patrick Edgar, Knt., is mentioned as a witness (in 1258) to a charter of confirmation by Sir Robert of Polwarth, to the church of Kelso, of three acres of land of his territory of Wedderly.

This personage was probably identical with Patrick Edgar, who married Maryota, second wife of William de Home, as appears from a charter before 1284 ("Domino Patricio Edgar et Maryotæ, Dominæ de Home ejus sponsæ").

Liber de Dryburgh.

A.D. 1476, p XVII. Lands of Knockfelde claimed by the abbot from Adam Edgar of Wedderlye, who had seized them.

An action was pursued in 1476, by the abbot and convent of Dryburgh, against Adam Edgar of Wedderlye and Paul Chrysty, for the "wrongous occupatione and manuring, and withholding from them of the lands of Knokfelde, together with the rents of the same, for the period of sixteen years bygone."

The well-known Twinlaw cairns, composed of two large piles of stones, and visible from a great distance, are the rude and uncemented memorials of two persons named Edgar, who fell in single combat, according to the following tradition.

A battle is said to have taken place here between the Anglo-Saxons and Scots. On this occasion a challenge given by one of the Saxon chieftains to decide the contest by single combat was accepted by Edgar, the only son of an aged Scottish warrior, and whose twin brother had been carried off captive in his infancy by the Saxons in a former battle. The Saxon chieftain was killed and Edgar himself severely wounded. After the combat, an aged Saxon lamenting the death of the chieftain, whom he eulogized as the bravest of the Edgars, and bewailed as his adopted son, betrayed the secret of his Scottish birth, and Edgar, frantic with remorse, tore the bandages from his wounds, and expired on the corpse of his brother.

The contest at the Twin Law Cairns, or the Cairns of the Twin Edgars, is thus celebrated:—

In days of yore, when deeds were rife,
And wars on banks and braes,
And nought but strife on every side,
Which brought on dule and waes,

The Anglo-Saxons restless band
Had crossed the river Tweed;
Up for the hills of Lammermuir,
Their hosts marched on with speed.

Our Scottish warriors on the heath,
In close battalion stood,
Resolved to set their country free,
Or shed their dearest blood.

A chieftain from the Saxon band,
Exulting in his might,
Defied the bravest of the Scots
To come to single fight.

Old Edgar had a youthful son,
Who led the Scottish band;
He with the Saxon did agree
To fight it hand to hand.

The armies stood in deep suspense,
The combat for to view;
While aged Edgar stepped forth,
To bid his son adieu.

"Adieu! adieu! my darling son,
I fear that ye be lost;
For yester night my troubled mind,
With fearful dreams was toss'd.

"I dream'd your mother's parted shade
Between two armies stood,
A lovely youth on either hand,
Their bosoms streaming blood.

"My heart will break if you should fall,
My only prop and stay;
Your brother when in infant years
The Saxons stole away."

"Delay it not," young Edgar said,
"But let the trumpets blow;
You soon shall see me prove your son,
And lay yon boaster low."

The trumpets raised with deafening clang,
The fearful onset blew;
And then the chieftains stepped forth,
Their shining swords they drew.

Like lions in a furious fight,
Their steeled falchions gleam,
Till from our Scottish warriors side
Fast flowed a crimson stream.

With deafening din the coats of mail
The deadly blows resound;
At last the Saxon warrior
Did breathless press the ground.

An aged Saxon came to view
The body of his chief;
His streaming eyes and downcast look,
Bespoke a heart of grief.

"He's dead," he cried, "the bravest youth
E'er sprung from Edgar's line;
I bore him from the Scottish coast,
And made him pass for mine.

"And in the days of youthful prime,
He was my pride and boast;
For oft to victory he has
Led on the Saxon host."

Old Edgar heard the Saxon's moan,
His cheeks grew deadly pale,
A great convulsion shook his frame,
His nerves began to fail.

Frantic he tore his aged locks,
With time and trouble grey;
And faintly crying, "My son, my son!"
His spirit passed away.

The Scottish chief as his father fell,
He raised his fading eye,
And tore the bandage off his wounds,
To let life's stream run dry.

He kissed his sire and his brother's wounds,
That ghastly were and deep;
And closed him in his folding arms,
And fell on his long, long sleep.

Calendar of State Papers.

Cal. S. P. (Scot.) 1596, Apl. "Passport for Captain James Edgar, a gentleman of Scotland, who has served the French king, to return to France through England."

Ibid. Apl. 18. "Sir Davis Foulis to Sir Robt. Cecil, asking for a passport for Capt. Edgar and his page to go to France.

Title-deeds in possession of Lord Blantyre.

Robert Edgar and Mary Douglas, his spouse, conveyed the lands of Wedderlie to

John Edgar, eldest lawful son to Robert Edgar and Elizabeth Crampton, his spouse.

Their marriage contract is dated about 1619. The lands of Wedderlie appear to have been disposed by the above-named John Edgar to—

John Edgar, son of Nicholas Edgar, merchant in Edinburgh about 1643. The latter was succeeded by John Edgar, son and heir to the last named John Edgar, who again conveyed the lands of Wedderlie to his son—

John Edgar, who with consent of Mary Home, his spouse, conveyed Wedderlie in 1734 to Robert, Lord Blantyre.

SUBSCRIBERS TO THE DARIEN SCHEME.

1696. 24th March. Thomas Edgar, Chirurgeon in Edinburgh, £200 sterling.
David Edgar of Keithock, £100 sterling.

1696. 31st March. Alexander Edgar, Provost of Hadingtoune, commissionate * by the said town, £400 sterling.

WOOD'S DOUGLAS'S "PEERAGE."

Maryota, 2nd wife of William de Home, married Patrick de (*sic*) Edgar, as appears from a charter ("Domino Patricio Edgar et Maryotæ Dominæ de Home ejus sponsæ") before 1284.

"William de Crechton (ancestor of the Earl of Dumfries), 2nd son of Thomas de Crechton, acquired by marriage with Isabel de Ross, one of the daughters and coheirs of Robert de Ross, half of the Barony of Sanquhar, as appears from a charter of King Robert Bruce, Ricardo dicto Edger, capitale manorium cum medietate tocius Baronie de Seneschar, ad ipsum capitale manorium ptinente, sicut dicta baronia inter Willielmum de Crechton et Isabellam, sponsam suam, petionarios ipsius baronie racione dicte sponse, ex parte una, et ipsum Ricardum, ex altera, per literam de capella vestiæ nuper fuit divisa. The other half of the Barony of Sanquhar * was afterwards acquired by the Crictons and became their chief title."

DOUGLAS'S "BARONAGE."

George Demme, of Catbole, married Isabella, daughter of Alex. Edgar younger of Wedderly (Cadboll in Easter Ross). George Demme was great grandson of Andrew Demme, who died before 1620.

BURKE'S "LANDED GENTRY."

Jean, daughter of James Bruce of Kennet, by Mary, daughter of Sir Alexander Swinton of Mersington, married John Edgar.

David, eldest son of Sir James Pringle of Smailholm, named Margaret, daughter of Walter Scott of Harden (1621), by his wife, Margaret Edgar of Wedderlie.

Mary, daughter of Alexander Mc Naught of Milton Park in the stewardry of Kirkcudbright, born 25th November, 1742; married in 1762 Thomas Edgar of Ross, co. Dumfries, by whom she had issue Robert, Alexander, and Charles.

Louis Cauvin, founder of an hospital at Duddingston, was born in the parish of South Leith, in the house opposite Jock's Lodge Toll Bar, at the angle of Restalrig House. He was a son of Louis Cauvin and Margaret Edgar, a relative of Admiral Edgar, who was related to Baron Hume, and died in 1778 (*Vide* "*Kay's Edinburgh Portraits*").

James Edgar was a Commissioner of Customs (Scotland) in the latter part of the eighteenth century, and as such was a colleague of the celebrated Adam Smith. An amusing account of Edgar is to be found in "Kay's Edinburgh Portraits."

* On the destruction of that colony several of the refugees fled to Jamaica, where they acquired property and became men of note. Such were Guthrie and Blair, and as the Edgars of Edinburgh, Haddington, and Keithock, were subscribers to the Darien Fund, it is not improbable that they had relations among those emigrants.—(*Roby's* "*History of the Parish of St. James, Jamaica.*")

Extracts from Parish Registers.

Edinburgh, St. Giles.—Baptisms.

1687.	Dec. 2.	Thomas Edgar and Margaret Murray, *a d. n.* Jean.
1688.	Mar. 13.	Robert Edgar and Janet Pinkerton, *a s. n.* James.
1690.	Mar. 23.	Robert Edgar and Janet Pinkerton, *a d. n.* Anna.
1691.	July 8.	Thomas Edgar and Margaret Murray, *a d. n.* Marie.
1694.	Mar. 30.	John Edgar of Watherly, *a d. n.* Jean.
1694.	Dec. 6.	John Edgar and Marie Frain, *a s. n.* William.
1695.	Jan. 31.	William Edgar and Janet Aitken, *a s. n.* Alexander.
1697.	April 22.	Thomas Edgar and Margaret Brown, *a d. n.* Henrietta.
1697.	Aug. 1.	*Umquhile* William Edgar and Janet Aitken, *a s. n.* William.
1698.	Aug. 30.	Andrew Edgar and Grissell Bondum, *a s. n.* Richard.
1699.	April 14.	Thomas Edgar and Margaret Brown, *a d. n.* Jannett.
1699.	Sept. 28.	Andrew Edgar and Grissell Bondum, *a d. n.* Jean.
1700.	Jan. 30.	Adam Edgar and Marie Brown, *a s. n.* Robert.
1706.		Auchen Edgar and Grissell Bondum, *a s. n.* Andrew.
1706.		James Edgar and Elizabeth Lithgow, *a s. n.* James.
1707.	Nov. 16.	George Edgar and Janet Lausson, *a s. n.* Alexander.
1708.	Sept. 30.	Andrew Edgar and Grissell Bondum, *a s. n.* Samuel.
1711.	July 20.	James Edgar and Priscilla Handyside, *a s. n.* Robert.
1713.	June 11.	James Edgar and Priscilla Handyside, *a d. n.* Elizabeth.
1714.	Nov. 16.	James Edgar and Priscilla Handyside, *a d. n.* Janet.
1717.	Feb. 3.	James Edgar and Priscilla Handyside, *a d. n.* Margaret.

Marriages.

1655.	Dec. 13.	Nicoll Edgar and Helene Gillies.
1658.	July 29.	Patrick Edgar and Janet Hastie.
1663.	Sept. 11.	John Edgar and Margaret Sampson.
1666.	April 5.	Thomas Forbes and Isabell Edgar.
1679.	Mar. 27.	John Edgar of Wedderlie and Jean Robertson.
1684.	Nov. 17.	Robert Edgar and Janet Pinckertoune.
1685.	Sept. 9.	Thomas Edgar and Margaret Murray.
1696.	Mar. 1.	Thomas Edgar and Margaret Brown.
1698.	Mar. 20.	Patrick Edgar and Agnes McKerton.
1702.	Nov. 1.	Richard Edgar of Newton and Rachael Maxwell.
1707.	Sept. 7.	David Edgar and Janet Cook.
1710.	Sept. 24.	James Edgar and Priscilla Handisyde.

1711.	Feb. 25.	John Cuthbertson and Anna Edgar.
1742.	July 4.	Alexander Edgar and Margaret Edgar.

St. Cuthbert's Parish, Edinburgh.—Marriages.

1694.	6th March.	John Edgar Sergeant and Marie Frain.
1739.	2nd Dec.	John Milne, founder, Multrees of Hills, in the West Kirk Parish, and Elizabeth Edgar, daughter to the deceased James Edgar, pewtherer burgess in West Kirk Parish.

St. Cuthbert's.—Baptisms.

1781.	25th May.	Mr. Henry Raeburn,* portrait painter in Edinburgh, Residenter in Deanhaugh, and Mrs. Ann Edgar, his spouse, had a son born Friday, the 18th inst., name Peter Wits. John Edgar, Esq., of Marchfield, and Mr. William Raeburn, manufacturer in Stockbridge.
1783.	10th Nov.	Mr. Henry Raeburn,* portrait painter, residing in Deanhaugh, and Mrs. Ann Edgar, his spouse, had a son born Friday, the 24th ult., named Henry Wits. Messrs. William Raeburn, manufacturer at Stockbridge, and John Edgar, Writer to the Signet.†

Proclamations and Marriages in the City of Edinburgh.

Sabbath, 2nd Dec., 1739.	John Miln, founder Multrees of Hills, in the West Kirk Parish, and Elisabeth Edgar, daughter to the deceased James Edgar, Pewtherer burgess in West Kirk Parish.
Sabbath, 4th July, 1742.	Mr. Alexander Edgar, Residenter, and Mrs. Margaret Edgar, daughter to the deceased James Edgar, Pewtherer burgess, both in West Kirk Parish.

Baptisms.

1701.	Sept. 12.	Adam Edgar, wryter in Edinburgh, and Mary Brown, his spouse, a daughter, Martha. John Murray, junior, advocate, Robert Pringle of Sharpetlaw, and James Edgar, wryter.—Witnesses.
1705.	April 6.	Adam Edgar, wryter, and Mary Broune, his spouse, a daughter *n.* Janet. Witnesses.—Walter Lithgow, . . . Robert Fisher, and Arthur Carnegie writers.

* Subsequently Sir Henry Raeburn.

† He was only son of Peter Edgar, and died in 1799.

1706. March 20. Andrew Edgar, merchant burgess, and Grissell Bonden, his spouse, *a s. n.* Andrew.

1706. Sept. 5. James Edgar, wryter, and Eliza Lithgow, his spouse, *a s. n.* James.
Witnesses.—James Thompson, Adam Edgar, and Alexander Borthwick, writers, child born 3rd inst.

1707. Nov. 16. George Edgar, merchant burgess, and Agnes Lauson, his spouse, *a s. n.* Alexander, 12th November.

1708. Sept. 30. Andrew Edgar, merchant burgess, and Grissell Boundoum, his spouse, a son, Samuel.

Parish of Cramond.—Baptisms.

1744. Anne, daughter to Peter Edgar, factor to the Earl of Selkirk, in Muttonhole, and Anne Hay, his spouse, was born on Monday, the 3rd day of September, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-four, and baptized the tenth inst.
Witnesses.—Mr. Kerr, Minister of the English Chapel in Edinburgh, and James Ranken, servant to the said Mr. Edgar.

1665. Sept. 23. James Edgar and Janet Morison, *a d. n.* Marie.

Marriages.

1694. March 6. John Edgar and Marie Frain.

1739. Jan. 7. Robert Blyth and Elizabeth Edgar.

1739. Dec. 2. John Milne and Elizabeth Edgar.

Burial.

1739. Jan. 7. Elizabeth, dau. to deceased Nicole Edgar.

S. Leith, co. Edinburgh.—Marriage.

1738. June 15. Robert Edgar and Catherine Wilson.

Liberton, co. Edinburgh.—Baptism.

1695. Dec. 1. George Edgar and Janet Steel, *a d. n.* Janet.

Greyfriars.—Baptisms.

1658. Nov. 4. Thomas Edgar, pewtherer.

„ June 20. Margaret (apparently in service of Edward Edgar, merchant).

1663. Nov. 1. John Edgar, indweller.

1663.	*	Marion Edgar.
1664.	*	John Edgar.
1666.	April 25.	John Edgar (spelt Agir), son to John Agir (Edgar), merchant.
1667.	Jan. 8.	Arthur Edgar (spelt Agir), seems to be Ailick (Alexander).
„	April 18.	Mr. Nicol Edgar, apparently "Tuter of Waterlie," probably Tutor of Wedderlie.
1668.	*	Mrs. Margaret Edgar.
„	Jan. 1.	Mr. William Edgar (Agir), "son to umquhile Nicholl Agir."
1671.		Marion Edgar.
1672.	Jan. 21.	Patrick Edgar (Ager), "son to John Ager, Marchant."
1675.	*	Alison Edgar.
1679.	*	John Edgar.
1680.	*	Christian Edgar.
„		Margaret Edgar.
1684.	May 16.	John Eggar of Waderlie, a child born.
1686.	Jan. 15.	Mr. Alexander Edgar (Egar), "wryter Egerston," was buried beside the Laird of Dundas.
1689.	Nov. 13.	James Edgar ("Eger a strenger").
1690.	*	Alexander Edgar (page gone).
„	March 20.	Thomas Edgar (Eger cherugen).
1693.	Oct. 24.	Thomas Edgar ("Eger, son to Wadelie").
1694.	*	Mrs. Jean Edgar ("Dochter to Thomas Eger, Curgeon").
1697.	March 10.	William Edgar ("Eger, wryter Colenton").
1701.	April 19.	Ann Edgar, wife to John Carnegie.
„	Dec. 1.	Helen Edgar ("Haellen Edgar, spouse to Mr. William Panton," W.S.).
1703.	Jan. 25.	Eupham Edgar ("Eger, spouse to James Corbett, West Brountoun").
„	April 10.	Thomas Edgar, Chrurgen Potigarie.
„	Oct. 1.	Jean Edgar, indweller.
1704.	Feb. 3.	Margaret Edgar, relict of umquhile Robert Ffouiles.
„	*	James Edgar.
„	June 2.	Isobell Edger, dochter to Adam Edger, wryter.
„	June 29.	Jean Edgar, dochter to Andrew Edgar, merchant burgess.
„	April 19.	Andrew Edger.
1708.		Patrick "Edger, wryter."
„	Jan. 12.	Thomas Edgar, Proffessor of Theologie, aged about 48.
1710.	Jan. 10.	Robert Edgar, Pewtherer burges.
„	*	Margaret Edgar.

* Taken from the Index.

1711.	*	Agnes Edgar.
1713.	June 21.	Jean Edgar, spouse to David Ughlie.
1714.	Sept. 24.	James Edgar, wryter, a son buried near Borthwick of Stow, his *thorough stone.*
1715.	Jan. 16.	John Edgar, son of Mr. Nicol Edgar, Minister of Hopkirk, aged 17 years.
„	Nov. 8.	Isobell Edgar, relict of Dr. Thomas Forbes, aged 80 years.
1718.	*	Ann Edgar.
„	*	David Edgar.
1719.	*	Anna Edgar.
1720.	Nov. 6.	Henry Edgar, brother to Watherlie, 37 years.
1721.	*	Margaret Edgar.
1734.	Feb. 3.	Mr. John Edgar, Advocate, a child Helen.
„	Nov. 7.	Eleze (Elies?) Edgar (index).
„	April 28.	James Edgar, Pewtherer.
1736.	June 2.	James Edgar.
1740.	March 29.	John Edgar, Indweller.
1743.	May 18.	George Edgar, Indweller.
„	July 8.	Barbara Edgar, Pensr.
1744.	Sept. 10.	Mr. John Edgar, Advocate.
1745.	Aug. 9.	Eliza Edgar.
1746.	June 23.	Mrs. John Edgar from Poorham.
1752.	*	Isabella Edgar.

Haddington.—Baptisms.

1638.	Oct. 7.	John Edgar and Janet Anderson, *a s. n.* Adam.
1658.	June.	John Edgar and Janet Wilsone, *a c. b.* on 11th, *n.* David.
1659.	Oct. 9.	John Edgar and Jane Wilsone, *a d. n.* Janet.
1663.	Jan. 19.	John Edgar and Jane Wilsone, *a c. b.*, William.
1666.	Jan. 28.	John Edgar and Jane Wilsone, *a d. b.*, Barbara, *w.* Jas. Kerr and Jas. Cockburn.
1667.	May 4.	John Edgar and Jane Wilsone, *a d. b.*, Margaret.
1668.	Dec. 15.	John Edgar and Jane Wilsone, *a s. b.*, Thomas.
1671.	Feb. 12.	John Edgar and Jane Wilsone, *a s. b.*, Thomas.
1673.	Aug. 12.	John Edgar and Jane Wilsone, *a d. b.*, Marie.
1680.	May 9.	Alexander Edgar and Margaret James, *a s.* Robert, *w.* Adam Stone, Thomas Edgar.

* Taken from the Index.

1682. June 3. Alexander Edgar and Margaret James, a daughter born 15th, and baptized 18th inst., *w.* John Baptie and John Hunter

Earlston.

Died at Craushawe, Thomas Edgar, Oct. 3, 1741, aged 55 years. Agnes Scougal, his spouse, died 1726. Agnes Wood, his second spouse, died 25th Jan., 1754, aged 62. Alexander, his son, died Aug. 14, 1755, aged 27 years. Peter Edgar, his son, died 2nd March, 1819, aged 77 years.

Thomas Edgar left 8 children, viz., 6 sons and 2 daughters. William, one of these sons, had no family. Alexander, John, and Mary died unmarried. James had 3 sons and 2 daughters, all dead. Thomas had 2 sons and 2 daughters. Peter had 4 sons and 4 daughters, Agnes, &c., &c.

Eccles.—Baptisms.

1704. May 21. George Edgar, with his wife Christian Mossman, *a c. b.*, Janet.

1706. March 3. George Edgar, with his wife Christian Mossman, *a c. b.*, Margaret.

1709. April 28. George Edgar, with his wife Elizabeth Dickson, *a c. b.*, Jean.

1711. March 18. George Edgar and Elizabeth Dickson, *a c. b.*, John, *w.* Richard Edgar.

1711. Nov. 15. George Edgar, with his wife Elizabeth Edgar, *a c. b.*, Robert, *w.* Richard Edgar, &c.

1712. April 13. George Edgar and Elizabeth Dickson, *a c. b.*, Martha, *w.*, Richard Edgar and George Edgar.

1716. June 2. William Smith, with his wife Elizabeth Edgar, *a c. b.*, John, *w.* Richard Edgar of Newtoun.

1716. July 28. George Edgar and Elizabeth Edgar, *a c. b.*, John, *w.* Richard Edgar and William Smith.

Marriage.

1701. Jan. 6. Purpose of marriage between George Edgar and Christian Mossman.

Gordon, 1652.—*Baptism.*

1675. Oct. 31. Robert Edgar in Wedderly, *a s. n.* John, *w.* George Edgar in Wedderlie.

Westruther.—Baptisms.

In 1657 John Veitch was minister, and John Edgar yr. of Wedderlie, Thomas Cranstoun, Robert Dalgeish, Alexander Edgar of Westruther, &c., elders.

1657. June 14. John Edgar, yr., of Wadderly, *a d. b.*, Margaret.

1658. July 27. The deceased John Edgar of Wadderly, *a s. b.* (Nicol?), *w.* James Robison and Nicoll Edgar.

1659.	June 5.	Alexander Edgar in Wadderly mylne, *a d. b.*, Bessie.
1679.	Nov. 7.	Robert Edgar in Wadderly, *a s. b.*, George.
1680.	Nov. 17.	John Edgar, tenant, *a d. b.*, Agnes.
1681.	June 29.	George Edgar, tenant in Wadderly, *a s. b.*, John.
1682.	Jan. 24.	Robert Edgar, *a d. b.*, Bessie.
1682.	Sept. 25.	John Edgar of Wadderly, *a s. b.*, John.
1692.	Dec. 12.	Thomas, *s.* to George Edgar and Janet, *d.* to Patrick Trotter, in Evlie, *b.*
1701.	June 19.	William, *s.* to John Edgar of Wadderly, *b.*, *w.* Walter Home of Bassendean, Adam Gordon Goldsmith in Edinburgh, and James Knox.
1702.	Jan. 18.	John Foord and his wife, Jean Edgar, *a s. b.*, Robert.
1702.	Aug. 4.	George Edgar and his wife, Christian Mossman, *a c. b.*, Katrine.
1704.	May 21.	George Edgar and Christian Mossman, *a d. b.*, Jeanet.
1705.	March 3.	George Edgar and Christian Mossman, *a d. b.*, Margaret.
1709.	April 10.	Bessie, *d.* of George Edgar in Wedderlie, *b.*
1709.	April 28.	George Edgar and his wife, Elizabeth Dickson, *a c. b.*, Joan.
1711.	March 18.	George Edgar and Elizabeth Dickson, *a s. b.*, John.
1711.	Nov. 15.	George Edgar and Elizabeth Dickson, *a s. b.*, Robert.
1712.	April 13.	George Edgar and Elizabeth Dickson, *a d. b.*, Martha.
1714.	Feb. 13.	George Edgar and Elizabeth Dickson, *a s. b.*, Richard, *w.* Richard Edgar of Newton.
1716.	July 28.	George Edgar and Elizabeth Dickson, *a s. b.*, John, *w.* George Edgar.
1719.	Feb. 23.	George Edgar and Elizabeth Dickson, *a d. b.*, Janet.
1719.	July 5.	Marie, *d.* of John Edgar of Wadderlie, *b.*
1720.	July 20.	John Edgar and his wife, Isabel Bisset, *a s. b.*, Robert.

Marriages.

1708.	June 8.	George Edgar and Jean Cockburn.
1710.	Nov. 21.	George Home in Sutton and Agnes Edgar in Westruther.
1718.	Sept. 19.	John Edgar of Wadderlie and Mistress Mary Home in Parish Chirnside.

Greenlaw.—Baptisms.

1708.	May 16.	John Edgar, *a d. n.* Alison.
1712.	May 11.	John Edgar, *a d. n.* Christian.
1715.	Dec. 27.	John Edgar, *a s. n.* Robert.

N.B.—John Edgar of Wedderlie appears as a witness at the baptism on the 16th Sept., 1712, of "Alexander," son to Mr. Alexander Brown of Bassindean.

Dunse.—Baptisms.

1645.	May 13.	Margaret Edgar, *d.* to James Edgar.
1647.	Jan. 7.	Robert Edgar, *s.* to James Edgar.
1648.	April 27.	Alexander Edgar, *s.* to James Edgar.
1649.	May 21.	Robert Edgar, (apparently) *s.* to James Edgar.
1664.	Feb. 9.	——— Edgar, son of ——— Edgar and Margaret.
1666.	Feb. 9.	Robert Edgar, *s.* to Robert Edgar and Mary.
1668.	March 20.	Thomas Edgar, *s.* to Robert Edgar and Margaret Lawe.
1674 (6?).	Oct. 19.	George Edgar, son to Robert Edgar and Margaret Lawe, *w.* Andrew Lawe and Scougall.
1668 (88?).	June 23.	Aleson Edgar, *d.* to William Edgar and Helen Smith, *w.* Robert Edgar.
1697.	Feb. 12.	Thomas Edgar, *s.* to George Edgar and Janet Adniston.
[1698 wanting.]		
1699.	March 23.	Aleson Edgar, *d.* to George Edgar and Janet Adniston, *w.* William Edgar and John Purves.
1702.	Jan. 11.	William Edgar, *s.* to George Edgar and Janet Adniston.
1704.	Feb. 13.	Margaret Edgar, *d.* to George Edgar and Janet Adniston.
1704.	Sept. 17.	Peter Edgar, *s.* to James Edgar and Jean Brown, *w.* George Edgar and John Clinkscales.
1705.	Dec. 27.	Jean Edgar, *d.* to James Edgar and Jean Brown, *w.* George Edgar and William Edgar.
1706.	Jan. 24.	Alesone Edgar, *d.* to George Edgar and Janet Adniston, *w.* John Edgar of Wedderly and Thomas Martin.
1707.	Aug. 31.	William, *s.* to George Wood and Alison Edgar, *w.* William Edgar and George Edgar.
1708.	June 3.	Agnes Edgar, *d.* to George Edgar and Janet Adniston, *w.* William Edgar.
1710.	Dec. 12.	Aleson Edgar, *d.* to George Edgar and Janet Adniston, *w.* William Edgar.

Lauder.—Baptisms.

1685.	March 25.	John Dewar in Blyth and Agnes Edgar, *a s. James b.*
1686.	April 29.	Robert Edgar in Whelplaw and Mary Wood, their son *Alexander* born.
1687.		Robert Edgar and Mary Wood, a dau. Jean.

Marriage.

1685.		Robert Edgar in Westhop, and Mary Wood in Whelplaw, married 17th July.

Swinton.—Marriages.

1701.		"A testificate in favour of Agnes Edgare, from Paroch of Westruther, in order to proclamation and purpose of marriage with William Rankine in this Paroch, Nov. 22.
1706.	Nov. 10.	Marke Edgar and Hellens Bairns, proc. of marriage.
1706.	June 30.	Robert Vetch and Isabel Brown.
1740.	Oct. 17.	John Edgar, in this par., and Margaret Armstrong, par. Fogo, married, Nov. 10, thereafter.
1745.	July 6.	Patrick Edgar, lawfull son to John Edgar in Albake.

Melrose.—Baptisms.

1642.	April 8.	William Edgar, *a s. n.* William.
1642.	Dec. 9.	John Edgar, *a s. n.* James.
1664.	April 8.	James Edgar, *a s. n.* John.
1665.	Nov. 19.	James Edgar, *a d. n.* Margratt.
1666.	Jan. 22.	James Edgar, *a d. n.* Anna.
1667.	Nov. 10.	James Edgar, *a s. n.* James.
1669.	Jan. 24.	James Edgar, *a s. n.* Robert.
1673.	Nov. 25.	James Edgar, *a d. n.* Isaboll.
1679.	Nov. 21.	James Edgar, *a s. n.* Alexander.
1682.	Jan. 19.	James Edgar, *two d^s. n.* Agnes and Barbara.

Marriages.

1647.	March 3.	James Davison and Christian Edgar.
1664.	March 14.	James Edgar and Helen Waugh.
1665.	Feb. 1.	James Edgar and Isobell Eleis.
1693.	July 14.	Robert Edgar and Helen Redford.
1701.	Oct. 30.	James Hunter and Margaret Edgar.

Dumfries.—Baptisms.

1605.	Dec. 16.	Nicoll Edzar, Carlaverock, a son, *William.*
1606.	Mar. 17.	Thomas Edgar in Bartone, "a woman child," ———.
1606.	May 11.	Thomas Edgar in Furd, "a man child," *Johne.* Witness, Thomas Edgar in Furde.

1607.	June 27.	Jonet Edgar, lawfull dochter to George Edgar, burges of Dumfreis.
1609.	July 9.	Agnes Edzar, lawful *d.* to Clement Edzar, in the mains of Kirkbane.
1610.	Feb. 1.	Nicholas Edzar, lawful dochter to Johne Edgar in Bransit.
1610.	May 3.	Marionne Edzar, *l. d.* to George Edgar, mercht.
1610.	Oct. 25.	Nicoll E., *l. s.* to Johne Edgar in Glenhollowe.
1610.	Nov. 6.	Johne, *l. s.* to John Edgar, merchant.
1611.	Mar. 27.	Charles, *l. s.* to William Edgar in ——, of Carlaverock.
1611.	Dec. 16.	William, *l. s.* to John Edgar in Litill Homenes.
1612.	Feb. 4.	Johne, *l. s.* to Johne Edgar, Cordiner.
1613.	Oct. 12.	Johne, *l. s.* to William Edzar in Carlaverock.
1613.	Nov. 21.	Agnes, *l. d.* to Johne Edgar, Cordiner.
1617.	Dec. 15.	Thomas, *l. s.* to William Edzar.
1620.	Jan. 27.	"Robert Edzar, Merchant, and Janet Wricht, his spouse," *a d.*, Margaret.
1620.	Feb. 17.	John Edgar and Janet Jobson (or Jakson), a son, John.
1622.	Jan. 10.	"To Robert Edgar and Janet Wright, spouse, a child, John."
1622.	Feb. 19.	John Edgar, cordiner, and Janet M'Yne (M'Ian), *a s.*, Adam.
1623.	Jan. 19.	Harbert Edgar and Isobel Paine (or *Pawe ?*), his spouse, *a d.*, Elspet.
1624.	Sept. 17.	Clement, *l. s.* to Herbert Edgar and Isobell Paine.
1636.	Jan. 14.	Herbert, *l. s.* to William Edgar.
1636.	Feb. 18.	William, *l. s.* to Herbert Edgar.
1637.	Mar. 1.	James, *l. s.* to Herbert Edgar.
1639.	Oct. 13.	William, *l. s.* to William Edgar.
1641.	Oct. 2.	Janet, *l. d.* to John Edgar.
1642.	Mar. 8.	Janet, *l. d.* to Herbert Edgar.
1642.	May 21.	John, *l. s.* to William Edgar.
1642.	July 31.	Agnes, *l. d.* to William Edgar.
1643.	Sept. 22.	Isabell, *l. d.* to John Edgar, cordiner.
1644.	Feb. 12.	Margaret Edgar, dochter to Margaret Edgar. (A posthumous child ?)
1644.	Dec. 18.	Isobell, *l. d.* to John Edgar, cordiner.
1647.	June 19.	Elspet, *l. d.* to Wm. Edgar.
1647.	Sept. 3.	Margaret, *l. d.* to Andrew Edgar.
1648.	July 6.	Agnes, *l. d.* to Edward Edgar.
1648.	July 6.	James, *l. s.* to David Edgar.
1649.	——	Janet, *l. d.* to Thomas Edgar.
1649.	Sept. 30.	Edward, *l. s.* to Edward Edgar.
1654.	Feb. 20.	John, *l. s.* to Edward Edgar, *bailie.*
1656.	June 9.	David, *l. s.* to David Edgar.
1657.	Feb. 1.	Robert, *l. s.* to Robert Edgar and Janet Lauder.
1660.	July 16.	Gabriell, son to Mr. Robert Edgar.

1661.	Dec. 26.	James, son to Mr. Robert Edgar.
1669.	Oct. 28.	Harbert, *s. l.* to Johne Edgar. Witness, Wm. Edgar.
1671.	Aug. 12.	Agnes, *l. d.* to William Edgar, writer.
1671.	Dec. 14.	Elspeth, *l. d.* to William Edgar.
1673.	Mar. 21.	Margaret, *l. d.* to John Edgar.
1675.	Jan. 22.	Agnes, *l. d.* to John Edgar.
1676.	Aug. 22.	William, *l. s.* to John Edgare, Deacon of the Wrights.
1689.	Oct. 17.	Janet, *l. d.* to William Edgar, cordiner.
1690.	Nov. 2.	Marion, *l. d.* to Thomas Edgar, cordiner. Wit., Wm. Edgar, cordr.
1692.	Jan. 17.	Elizabeth, *l. d.* to Wm. Edgar, cordiner.
1692.	Sept. 22.	"Jo., lawfull sone to Thomas Edgar."
1694.	April 16.	Joseph, *l. s.* to Thomas Edgar.
1696.	Aug. 23.	John, *l. s.* to Thomas Edgar in Caversham, par. of Troquair.

Marriages.

1616.	May 12.	On the face of the title-page of Register, Edward Edgar, Thesaurer.
		[Blank from 1623, Sept. 16, to 1635.]
1639.	July 28.	Proclamation of Wm. Thomson and Maria Edgar.
1641.	Feb. 4.	Procl., John Mitchelsone and Janet Edgar.
1641.	April 18.	Edward Edgar and Agnes Cairlell.
1642.	Mar. 24.	David Johnstone of Holywood and Marie Edgar.
1643.	June 1.	James Haliday and Margaret Edgar.
1643.	June 1.	Robert Edgar and Bessie Gracie.
1645.	May 1.	Thomas Rowe of Cluden and Margaret Edgar of the City of Edinr.
1648.	April 13.	Edward Edgar of Carlaverock and Jeane Nisbet.
1648.	Sept. 23.	William Edgar and Janet Murrice.
		[Register wanting for 1648 to 1654.]
1660.	July 7.	Wm. Edgar, schoolmaster, in Troquar, and Isobell Forgusone, *d.* to *umqu.* James F., writer.
1673.	Nov. 9.	Edward Edgar and Margaret Johnstone.
1674.		Thomas Edgar in Troquair and Barbara Good.
1677.	Feb. 22.	Edward Edgar and Margaret Gilchrist.
1683.	July 16.	John Camline and Janet Edgar.
1686.	Dec. 5.	Wm. Edgar and Agnes Edgar.
1688.	Dec. 12.	Wm. Edgar, cordiner, and Helen Paterson.
1701.	Feb. 15.	John Edgar, son to Robert Edgar in Rabiwhat in Mongwold, and Janet, *d.* to John Edgar in Barnkin, pro, and married 5th March.

Extracts from Records of Royal Burghs.

Edinburgh.—Burgh Records.

1718.	Aug. 5.	Edgar to the Good Toun.
1719.	July 15.	Edgar—Blairs.
1733.	July 25.	Edgar—Rosses.
1736.	July 8.	Edgar—Lethum.
1736.	Dec. 16.	Edgar—Edgar.*
1738.	Dec. 4.	Edgar—Russell.
1740.	Oct. 4.	Pillans—Edgar.
1741.	June 5.	Edgar—Ditcher.
1741.	Jan. 31.	McDowal—Edgar.
1741.	Feb. 20.	Miller—Edgar.
1741.	Feb. 24.	Miller—Edgar.
1741.	Aug. 5.	Craig—Edgar.
1742.	Feb. 1.	Hart—Edgar.
1742.	Mar. 31.	Stodart—Edgar.

Seisins.

1653 to 1654.	Joannes Edgair. Nicholaus Edgair.
1673-7.	Adamus Edgar.
1679-1682.	Margareta Edgar, spouse of Robt. Foulis.
1699, 1700.	Isabella Edgar and William Forbes. Thomas Edgar.
1740-1743.	Joannes Edgar, 1741.† Anna Edgar, spouse to Robt. Swinton.
1756.	Mary Edgar.
1765.	Alexander Edgar‡ (3 entries).

* 1736. Disposition (Edgar to Edgar) of Thomas Edgar, chirurgeon apothecary, burgess of Edinburgh, in favour of John Edgar, his only son, and Anna Edgar, his daughter, failing whom to George Edgar, his brother, whom failing, to his nearest heirs of "the haill that stone tenement of land . . . in the King's High Street of the said burgh" *i.e.*, at the head of Wardrop's Court). Margaret Brown, his wife, mentioned. Dated 30th March, 1703.

† 1741, Feb. 28. Sasine in favour of John Edgar, advocate, as heir of Thomas Edgar, chirurgeon apothecary, in a tenement of land lying in the burgh of Edinburgh. (Wardrop's Court, Lawnmarket.)

‡ 1765, Aug. 12. Resignation and sasine in favour of Alexander Edgar, residenter in Leith of parts of the tenement which belonged to John Edgar, advocate, at the head of Wardrop's Court, Lawnmarket.

In "An Historical Account of the Blue Blanket, by Alex. Penecuick" (Edin., 1722) the following persons are noticed :—

"1611.	Patrick Edgar—Baillie."
"1638.	Edward Edgar—Baillie."
"1660.	Edward Edgar, Dean of Guild."

Guild Register of the City of Edinburgh.

1586.	Oct. 19.	David Edgar, smyt.
1587.	June 28.	James Edgar, skynner.
1587.	Oct. 28.	Nicholl Edgar, merchant.
1603.	Aug. 2.	Hue Edgar, jailor.
1607.	Aug. 12.	Edward Edgar.
1618.	Dec. 23.	Adam Edgar.
1619,	Feb. 3.	Walter Edgair, chirurgeon.
1619.	April 21.	Alexander Edgar, baxter.
1620.	March 29.	John Edgar, merchant.
1621.	Oct. 10.	Edward Edgar.
1621.	Nov. 7.	Edward Edgar, merchant.
1627.	Sept. 5.	John Edgar, skynner.
1679..	Sept. 3.	Alexander Edgar, writer, B. and G.
1684.	April 9.	Robert Edgar, pewtherer, B. and F.
1696.	*nil.*	Alexander Edgar, chirurgeon, B. and G. F.
1696.	*nil.*	Andrew Edgar, merchant, B. and G.
1697.	April 14.	John Edgar of Wedderly, W. B. G.
1710.	Mar. 8.	James Edgar, writer, B. and G.
1712.	June 16.	John Edgar, surgeon, B. and G.
1716.	March 23.	Wm. Edgar, wright, Ff. B .G.
1736.		John Edgar of Watherly,* Ff. B. G.

["1736. Feb. 4. John Edgar of Watherly compearing is made gild brother of this burgh by right of John Edgar of Watherly, his father, burges and gild brother," "and gave his oath," &c., "having payd to the Deah of Gild for his due by 33 sh," &c. "Feb. 6, 1736."]

(P. B. G. means "by purchase;" F. B. G., "by right of father.")

Council Minutes of 8 *March*, 1710.

"The same day the Councill appointed the Dean of Guild and his Councill to admitt and receive James Edgar, *Servitor* to Sir Gilbert Eliot of Minto,

* Wedderly.

Council Records, vol. xxxix., p. 666. one of the Servitors of the Colledge of Justice, to be Burges and Guild Brother. Dispensing with the dues, and that for the good service done by him to the interest of the good toun. Declaring his admission to be also valid and effectuall as if he had payed the haill dues in use to be payed by an unfreeman."

Guild Register.

8 March, 1710. "James Edgar, *Writer*, compeared and is made Burges and Gild brother of this Burgh, and that for the good service don and performed be him to the interest of ye good toun the 8th March instant lykeas confirm to the s act the dean of gild and his counsall declare the said Jas. Edgar his admission and gave his oath," &c.

In Marwick's "Convention of Royal Burghs" we find "Jhonn Edzear," Commissioner for Wigton 1587.

RECORDS OF UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.

Universitatis Glasguensis Fasti.

Edgar—Clemens (1617).
„ David (1660).
„ John (1696).
„ Josephus Scotus (1702).

N.B.—John. (The authorities of the Glasgow Univ. record a censure on the Prof. of Philos., Univ. Edinbr., for entertaining him.)

University of Glasgow.

1.—Edgars named in the *Munimenta Universitatis Glasguensis*, a book published by the Maitland Club.

March, 1617.	Clement Edgar matriculated.
1660.	David Edgar, student in 4th class.
1696.	John Edgar, 3rd class.
4th Oct., 1699.	John Edgar mentioned in the report of a Commission for Visiting the University as having disobeyed an Act of the Commission.
1702.	Joseph Edgar, *Scotus*, 3rd class.

2.—Graduates of name Edgar in Laing's "Catalogue of Edinburgh Graduates."

30 July, 1614.	George Edgar.
30 June, 1617.	James Edgar, Minister of the Word.*

* Where any designation like this appears, it is a subsequent addition, signifying what the party *afterwards* became.

17 April, 1639.	Edward and William Edgar.
27 July, 1663.	David Edgar.
1677.	Nicol Edgar.
1699.	John Edgar.
1704.	Joseph Edgar.
1705.	Alexander Edgar, Robert Edgar.

A Bond of Association, dated April 1st, 1696, was subscribed by John Edgar, along with other students of the Philosophy classes, in that year, to protect William the Third from a conspiracy of certain Papists to assassinate his Majesty.

In 1699 the Moderator of the University of Glasgow complained to the Royal Commission of Visitation that the said John Edgar had disobeyed one of their Acts.

The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh. Instituted in 1687 *as the Incorporated Body of Edinburgh Surgeons.*

Dr. Gairdner, in "A Sketch of the Early History of the Medical Profession in Edinburgh," 1864, has published an interesting account of the Incorporation of Surgeons of Edinburgh, subsequently the Royal College of Surgeons, the original members of which were for the most part (see *Edgar of Auchingrammont*) men of superior social status. An interesting gallery of portraits in the hall of the College gives a favourable impression of these early members. Two are Edgars.

1.—Thomas Edgar, who became one of the body on 21st March, 1677, and who was Vice-Chairman in 1685 and 1686, was married to Margaret Pennecuik, daughter to Alexander Pennecuik, of Newhall, of whose history Dr. Gairdner gave a short account.

2.—Alexander Edgar is noted in the minutes as having been apprentice to the deceased Samuel Cheislie. The minute is dated 1st July, 1697, and proves that at that date Cheislie was dead. Samuel Cheislie entered 14th October, 1659.

Thomas Edgar, admitted chirurgeon on 21st March, 1677, died between May and July, 1703.

Alexander Edgar, probably a son of Thomas (though in his Act of Admission that is not stated), was admitted on 1st July, 1697, and must have died between 4th Aug. and 17th Nov., 1714.

John Edgar, son of Alexander Edgar, was admitted on 11th April, 1712, and died in 1722.

University of Edinburgh.

The following matriculations in the University of Edinburgh, prior to the year 1800, give us some dea of the attainments of members of the house of Wedderlie and its branches at "Newtoun" and

Peffermylne. This name, even in those days, was confined seemingly to one family and its branches:—

"Edgarus (Georgius), 30th July, 1614—	M.A.
"Edgarus (Jacobus), 20th June, 1617	„
"Edgarus (Edwardus), 17th April, 1639	„
"Edgar (Williamus), ditto, ditto	„
"Edgar (Nicolaus), 1677	„
"Edgar (Joannes), 6th July, 1699	„
"Edgar (Joseph), 11th May, 1704	„
"Edgar (Alexander), 26th April, 1705	„
"Edgar (Robert), ditto, ditto	„

University of Aberdeen.

King's College.—Arts Classes.

1623. David Edgar.
1627. James Edgar.

Marischal College.—Arts Classes.

1715. Hen Edger.
1785. Gulielmus Edgar filius Thomæ Annandrensis, Dumfries.
1786. Gulielmus Edgar f. Thomæ Annandrensis.
1796. Tho. Edgar f. *dem.* Archibaldi de Jamaica.

Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh.

1677.	March 21.	Thomas Edgar.
1697.	July 1.	Alexander Edgar.
1712.	April 11.	John Edgar.

Memoranda relating to Thomas Edgar, who entered the Incorporation of Surgeons of Edinburgh, 21st March, 1677.

1694.	July 5.	"In presence of the Calling T. E. presented Jas. Nisbett, his prentice, to be booked, who being now married, and so cannot remain at bed and board in justice to him." This, by a plurality of voices, was declared to be contrary to an act of the Surgeons of 24th Nov., 1691. This interdict was rescinded 14th Dec., 1694.
1695.	Nov. 7.	T. E. ceases to be boxmaster (*i. e.*, treasurer) to the surgeons.
1703.	April 2.	T. E., who is stated to be "now sick and not likely to recover," presents to

the Incorporation 300 merks (£16 13s. 4d. sterling), "to schow his gratitude and respect to the calling."

Same date an earnest request is made by T. E. for the discharge of his apprentice, Adam Drummond, notwithstanding that the five years for which he was bound were yet some months from elapsing.

1703. May 28. It is resolved that in consequence of T. E.'s having shown so much respect to the Surgeons as to have, "before his death, bequeathed 300 merks to them, &c.," it was enacted "that his name should be set up in their house in gold letters as a memorial of his kindness," &c.

1703. August 17. From the minute of this date it appears that the death of T. E. had prevented the completion of the arrangement as to the discharge of A. Drummond's indenture, and that he had been booked as apprentice 28th Dec., 1698; a great part of a year therefore had yet to run. A new arrangement was made for him accordingly.

There are two other Edgars in the roll of the Surgeons, viz. :—

Alexander, who entered 1st July, 1697.

John, who entered 11th April, 1712.

There are three notices—

1693. Sept. 4.
1697. July 9.
1698. June 28.

All of which relate to Thomas Edgar as having been appointed *interim præses* of the Surgeons in the absence of the president for the time being.

A portrait of Alexander Edgar is in the hall of the College.

It is plain from the above extracts that the death of Thomas Edgar was after 2nd April, 1703, and before 28th May, 1703.

Thomas Edgar married Margaret, lawful daughter of Alexander Pennycuik of Newhall, who was one of the surgeons.

Alexander Edgar is noted in minute 1st July, 1697, as having been apprentice to the deceased Samuel Cheislie, surgeon.

1677. March 21. Minute of Thomas Edgar's entry states that he had married Margaret, lawful daughter of Alexander Penycuik of Newhall.

1690. Feb. 20. Minute of entry of John King shows that he had been an apprentice to Thomas Edgar.

1697. July 1. Minute of entry of Alexander Edgar states that he had been apprentice to Samuel Cheislie. There was an old Edinburgh family of Cheislies.

1699. Dec. 28. Minute of entry of Robert Swinton bears that he had married Anna Edgar, daughter of Thomas Edgar.

Records of Royal Charters, and of Charters under the Great Seal.

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To Richard Edgar, Barony of Kirkandres, Wigtoun.
To Richard Edzear, Dumfries, Pennylands of Bartenonade, Lobri, Slochan Glenabenkan in Kirkpatrick; of the place of Sanecher and half the Barony thereof.
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To Richd. Edzear, land in Elietis, Galloway.
By K. Dav. II. To Lachlan Edzear, lands of Bomby.
Richd. Edzear to Jno. Crawford, lands of Kirkpatrick nether.
1581. „ To Robert Edgar, lands of Wedderly—(35. 509), 1606. Ditto (44. 139).
1619. „ To John Edgar of Wedderly (49. 139).

		B.	N.	R.	A. R.	DATES.
Edgare.	Carto Olivero, de duabus terris husbandiis de Bassindene. Berwic ...	22	193	Jas. 5	15	6 Sept., 1528
Edgar in Holme.	Carta Con: Quond Willielmo Davidi Edgare ejus fratri Germano Catharinæ McDowall suæ sposæ ac quond Jacobo Edgare lirum consanguineo					

		B.	N.	R.	A. R.	DATES.
	Terrarum de Gallyhill, &c. Stepfurd, Dumfries	35	408	Jas. 6	14	30 Maii, 1581
Edgar.	Carta Con: Mariotæ, *vide* Maxwell de Cowhill	35	208	Jas. 6	14	18 Nov., 1580
Edgar in Holme.	Carta Roberto, Terrarum de Barnhill et Makwatter, &c. Dumfries	43	205	Jas. 6	35	24 Nov., 1601
Edgare in Killelago.	Carta Joanni, Terrarum de Killielago. Dumfries	43	25	Jas. 6	34	21 Apl., 1601
Edzar de Wedderlie.	Carta Roberto, et Mariæ Douglas suæ sponsæ Terrarum de Wedderlie Bassenden, Berwick	44	155	Jas. 6	39	28 Jan, 1606
Edzar. Sen. mercatori.	Carta Con: Edwardo, Seniori mercatori Burgen de Edinbr. et Clemento Edzar suo filio Baroniæ de Inchgall, Fife ...	45	261	Jas. 6	42	2 Jan., 1609
Edzar in Christinghill.	Carta Harberto, Terrarum de Carlyning, Langmyreside et Eshieholme, Dumfries	46	5	Jas. 6	42	24 Dec., 1608
Edzar in Kirkblane.	Carta Thomæ, Terrarum de Wester Glen., Kirkt.	46	108	Jas. 6	43	3 Aug., 1609
Edzare mercatori. Burgess de Edin.	Carta Patricio, Prati vocat lie King's medow. Edin.	48	307	Jas. 6	51	26 Nov., 1617
Edzer filio.	Carta Thomæ, filio quond Joannis Edzer de Blackshaw, Terrarum de Corbellie, Kirkcudt.	48	359	Jas. 6	51	26 Feb., 1618
Edzear Junri. de Wedderlie.	Carta Con: Joanni et suæ sponsæ Terrarum de Reidhall, &c., Berwick...	49	136	Jas. 6	52	10 Martii, 1619
Edgar Relictæ.	Carta Margaratæ Relictæ quondam, Edwardi Edzear mercatoris Burgess de Edin. et Patricio Edzear Eorum filio de Tenemento terræ in Villa de Leith, Edin.	49	424	Jas. 6	54	10 Ju., 1621
Edzear in Newtoun de Brigeur.	Carta Ricardo quarunæ husbandiarum Terrarum in Domino de Brigeur, Berwick	51	174	Ch. 1	2	14 Feb., 1627
Edzer mercatori. Burgess de Edin.	Carta Edwardo, Terrarum de King's medow, alias *Scharnyhall*, Edin. ...	52	269	Ch. 1	5	19 Junii, 1629
Edgar de Wedderlie.	Carta Con: Joanni Terrarum de Wedderlie, &c. Bewic	57	349	Ch. 1	19	5 Julii, 1643

		B.	N.	R.	A. R.	DATES.
Edzare in Holme.	Carta Thomæ, et Katharinæ Kirkpatrick suæ conjugi zenarum de Mossend. Dumfries	38	14	Jas. 6	25	19 Jan., 1591

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Edgar.	Carta Ricardo, de medietate Baronia de Seneschar			Rob. 1	27	
Edgar filio.	Carta Ricardo filio Recardi de Edgar de medietate terræ de Kyrckepatrik	1	94	Rob.		
Edgar.	Carta Olivero, de duabis terris husbandiis de Bassendene. Berwic	22	19	Jas. 5	15	6 Sept., 1528
Edgare .	filio Carta Quintino, filio Ninani Edgar de Creoquhane Correghe-Wigtoun	30	22	6 M.	6	1 Feb., 1547
Edzear . .	in Christenhall, Carta Con Ricardo terrarum de lie, Manys Drumfries	35	222	Jas. 6	13	28 Julii, 1580
Edzare.	Capellano Con: Quond: Wilhelmo Davidi Edgare ejus fratri germano Catherinæ McDowell suæ sposi. Jæ ac quond Jacobo Edzare eorum consanguineo terrarum de Gallyhill de Stephird Drumfries	35	408	Jas. 6	14	30 Maii, 1580
Edzer.	Mercatori Burgem de Edinburgh. Carta Edwardo terrarum de Kings medow, alias Scharnyhill. Edinburgh	52	269	Ch. 1	5	19 Junii, 1629
Edzer.	Ballwo de Edwardo Carta Con: Edwardo decimarum de lie Kingsmedow, als. Schernishall, &c. Edinburgh	54	183	Ch. 1	9	15 Febii, 1634
Edgar . .	de Wedderlie Carta Con Joanniterrarum de Wedderlie, &c. Berwick	57	349	Ch. 1	19	5 Julii, 1643
Edzer.	Carti Joanni Vidi Maxwell, sponsa	47	208	Jas. 6	47	22 Martii, 1614
Edzar . .	in Kirkblane. Carta Thomæ terrarum de Westerglen. Kirkcudbright	46	108	Jas. 6	43	3 Aug., 1609
Edzar . .	filio Carta Thomæ, filio quond Joannis Edzer de Blackshaw Terrarum de Conbellis, &c. Kirkcudbright	48	359	Jas. 6	51	26 Feb., 1618
Edzear . .	Jun. de Wederlie. Carta Con Joanni et suæ sponsæ terrarum de Reidhall, &c. Berwick	49	136	Jas. 6	52	11 Martii, 1619

		B.	N.	R.	A. R.	DATES.
Edgar . .	relictæ. Carta Margaretæ relictæ quond Edwardi Edzear mercatoris Burgen. de Edinburgh et Patricio Edzear eorum filio de tenemento in Villa de Leith. Edinburgh ...	49	424	Jas. 6	54	10 Julii, 1621
Edzear. .	de Newtoun de Brigham. Carta Ricardo quarund husbandarum terrarum in Dominio de Brigem. Berwick	51	174	Ch. 1	2	14 Feb., 1627
Edgar.	Carta, Con Mariotæ vide Maxwell de Cowhill	35	208	Jas. 6	14	18 Nov., 1580
Edzare. .	in Furdi. Carta Thomæ terrarum de Langmyrside de Eschieholm, &c. Drumfries ...	39	233	Jas. 6	27	30 Martii, 1594
Edzar . .	relictæ. Carta Katharinæ relictæ quond Willielmi Cunninghame in Lincluden et Georgio Cunningham eorum filio terrarum de Mariholm, &c. Kirkcudbright	42	15	Jas. 6	22	27 Ap., 1599
Edzare. .	in Killelago. Carta Joanni terrarum de Killelago. Drumfries	43	25	Jas. 6	34	21 April, 1601
Edzare. .	in Holme. Carta Thomæ terrarum, &c. de, Barnhill et Makewater, &c. Drumfries ...	43	205	Jas. 6	35	24 Nov., 1601
Edzar . .	de Wedderlie. Carta Roberto et Mariæ Douglas suæ sponsæ terrarum de Wedderlie Bassenden. Berwick	44	155	Jas. 6	39	28 Janvii, 1606

Notes of Charters from the Great Seal Register of Scotland.

Roll I. No. 27.
Reg. Rob. I.

King Robert Bruce grants in heritage to Richard, called Edgar, the chief messuage, with the half of the whole barony of Seneschar belonging thereto—as the said barony was recently divided between William of Crechtoun and Isabella his wife, portioners of the barony by right of said Isabella on one side, and the said Richard on the other.

Roll. I. No. 94.
Reg. Rob. I.

King Robert Bruce grants to Richard, the son of Richard, called Edger, the pennyland of Kyrkepatric, then in the hands of Richard, the father—to be held in heritage—with remainder to Richard's brother, Donewald, and the heirs lawful of his body—to their brother Edward and the heirs lawful of his body—and to their brother Dungal and the heirs male of his body.

B. 30. No. 226.
1 Feb., 1547-8.

Mary Queen of Scots grants to Quintin Edzar, the son of Ninian Edzar of Creoquhane, his heirs and assignees the 5 marklands of Creoquhane, the 5 m. lands of Correghe, 2½ m. lands of Cardryne, 16 shilling lands of Mulknok, and

16 shilling lands of Kirringarroch, all of old extent, and lying within the sheriffdom of Wigtoun—resigned by him.

B. 35. No. 222. 28 July, 1580.

King James VI. confirms a charter by Thomas Campbell perpetual commendator of the monastery of Holy Wood, dated 11 May 1569, granting to Richard Edzear, in Cristinhill, his heirs and assignees, the One Pound land of Manys, in the barony of Halienode and sheriffdom of Drumfries, between the lands of Robert Hynd, Harbert McCarroche, Henry Edzear, and John Edzear on the east; certain lands called Dardryne on the south, certain lands of Sir William Edzar, chaplain, commonly Cander's Croft, and one lands of Clauchmalloch on the west, and the ditch of the old wood on the north, with a certain meadow lying between the meadow of Robert Hynd on the west, and the lands of Andrew Edzair of Dowblay Hill on the east, and a certain meadow of Robert Carnis on the south, with other privileges—resigned by Andrew Edzair, burgess of Drumfries. Precept addressed to Andrew Edzair in Drumfries, and among witnesses David Edzair in Guliehill.

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Charter by John *Wodderlie* (sic) in Groweldykkes, selling to Robert Edgar in Swynton a husband land in the town and territory of Groweldykis, in the sheriffdom of Berwick. Dated at Wodderlie 16th August, 1580. Witnessed by Richard Edgar in Camnerlawis, and others.

B. 35. No. 408. 30 May, 1581.

King James VI. confirms 2 charters by the deceased Thomas, commendator of Halywode.

1. Grant for certain sums of money and other benefits bestowed on the monastery by Sir William Edzare, chaplain, and David Edzare his brother german, and James Edzare his kinsman, to these parties, their heirs and assignees, of the 20s. lands of old extent of Gully Hill, and 10s. lands of old extent of Oscheholme, lying in the barony of Halywode and sheriffdom of Dumfries, between the lands of Brumrig on the north, the lands of Martingtown on the east, and the water of Linclowden on the south and west. Resigned by said David, with consent of said Sir William. 3 *May*, 1556.

2. Grant for certain sums and other benefits to David Adzare, in Gully Hill, and Catharine McDowell, his wife—the longest liver of the two—and the heirs male of their bodies to be begotten, with remainder to heirs and assignees whomsoever of said David, of the ½ markland of Clauchmalloch, lying between the croft commonly called Cander's Croft on the east, the lands of the Stelling Trie on the south, the croft called Naperis Croft and said lands of Stelling Trie on the west, and the lands of Manis on the north, and a ½ markland of old extent of Stepfurd, bounded by the lands of Tullelagoch on the north, the lands of Monk-

land on the east, certain lands occupied by Cuthbert Morand on the south, and the lands of Mekle Speddoch and Litill Speddoch on the west. Resigned by Thomas Scott. 24 Aug., 1559.

B. 35. No. 409. 21 Feb., 1580-81. King James VI. confirms a charter, dated 9 Feb., 1557-8, by Sir Mungo Makghie, vicar pensioner of the parish church of Holywood, granting, for certain sums of money given by Robert Edzare in Holme for building, &c., of the church,—to the said Robert and Katherine Watsoun, his wife, and longer liver of them, their heirs and assignees, 5 roods of the glebeland of his vicarage lying in the Braidmeadow in the barony of Halywode and sheriffdom of Dumfreis.

B. 35. No. 421. 15 Feb., 1580-81. King James VI. confirms a charter by Thomas, commendator of Halywode, dated 10 Jan., 1559-60, granting, for certain sums of money, to Andrew Edzair, burgess of Drumfreis in heritage, 2 croftlands of manis of the Doubbillochillis marching with the lands of Nether Tulleloung on the north, and the Braidmedo and croftland occupied by David Maxwell on the east, and the lands of Brumerig occupied by Robert Cairnis Thomas Welsche and Andrew Edzair of Doublahill on the south, and the burn descending from Corsleis on the west, with liberty to cast 4 days' work of peats in the great *labina* lying in the barony of Haliewode and sheriffdom of Drumfreis.

B. 35. No. 501. 24 Oct., 1581. King James VI. confirms a charter by John Wodderlie in Groweldyckkes, dated 16 Aug., 1580, selling to Robert Edzar in Swyntoun, his heirs and assignees, his husbandland then occupied by J. W., lying in the town and territory of Groweldykis and sheriffdom of Berwik. Among witnesses—Richard Edgar in Cummerlawis.

B. 39. No. 233. 30 March, 1594. King James VI. grants to Thomas Edzar in Furd, his heirs and assignees, the 5s. lands old extent of Langmyrsyd, and the 5s. lands O. E. of Escheholme, with the lands called the island of Kentersyle; and the 40 pennylands O. E. of Over Brumrig lying between certain lands of Brumrig of old occupied by the deceased Thomas Welsche in Brumrig on the north, the water of Nyth on the east, the lands of Henry Edzar of Nether Brumrig on the south, and on the west, bar. Holywood, sher. Dumfreis.

B. 41. No. 109. 9 Dec., 1596. King James VI. grants in heritage to Thomas Edzer, junior, in Holme, the 10s. lands O. E. of Doublochhill, then occupied by Thomas Edzer in Doubloch hill in bar. Haliewode and sher. Dumfreis.

B. 43. No. 25. 21 Ap., 1601. King James VI. grants in heritage to John Edzare, the lawful son of the deceased John Edzare in Killelago, those six shilling lands of Killelago formerly occupied by the said deceased John, lying in the parish of Deniseon and sheriffdom of Drumfreis, formerly belonging to the abbey of Melros.

B. 43. No. 205.
24 Nov., 1601.

King James VI. grants in heritage to Thomas Edzar in Holme the 6s. 8d. lands of Barnhill and Makwatter, O. E., with the meadow lying on the west side of the Makwatterbog, commonly called the Braidmedow, with the tithes, in bar. Haliewode and sheriffdom of Drumfreis, resigned by him.

B. 44. No. 155.
28 Jan., 1606.

King James VI. grants to Robert Edzare of Woderlie, and Mary Douglas his wife, in conjunct fee and to the heirs gotten or to be gotten between them, with remainder to Robert's heirs and assignees whomsoever, the lands of Wadderlie, with the manor-houses, buildings, gardens, mills, mill lands, multures, meadows, pastures, parts, pendicles, and pertinents, lying in the parish of Gordon, within the sheriffdom of Berwik; and those 5 m. lands lying in the town and territory of Bassinden, with pertinents in said sheriffdom, all belonging to said R. in heritage, and resigned by him for new infeftment. Also those other 5 m. lands in the said town of Bassinden occupied by the deceased Oliver Edzare and Richard Edzare his son, and belonging to them, in same sheriffdom, in the king's hands by recognition by reason of the alienation of whole or part by the proprietors without the royal confirmation.

B. 45. No. 261.
2 Jan., 1609.

King James VI. conf. a ch. dated 22 June, 1604; in which Andrew Wardlaw of Torrie, with consent of Andrew Wardlaw apparent of Torrie, his firstborn, then alive, in virtue of a contract between him as principal, and his son and David Beatoun of Balfour as cautioners, on the one part; and Edward Edzer, merchant-burgess of Edinburgh for himself, and Clement Edzer, his lawful son, on the other part; and for the sum of 12,500 marks Scots, and other considerations, grants to said Edward in life-rent, and to said Clement in heritage, his lands and barony of Inchegaw, with castle, tower, fortalice, &c., lying in the parish of Inchegaw within the sheriffdom of Fyiff.

B. 46. No. 5.
28 Dec., 1608.

King James VI. grants in heritage to Harbert Edzer in Cristinhill the 10s. lands old extent of Carlyning lying in the barony of Halywode, the parish of Kirkinaho, and sheriffdom of Drumfreis, between certain lands of Mycheid, formerly occupied by the deceased Richard Edzer in Cristinhill on the east and north, and certain lands of the lord of Carneselloche, commonly called "the Ilis and the Hag," and certain lands of the deceased Robert Carnes commonly called "the Speird," on the south; and certain other lands of the said lord of C. commonly called Maxwelfield, formerly occupied by the deceased Robert Edzer in Holme, on the west. And likewise the 5s. lands O. E. of Langmyresyde and 5s. lands O. E. of Escheholme, with half of the island commonly called "Kentis Isle," formerly occupied by the deceased John Edzer of Furde, lying in said barony and sheriffdom, formerly belonging to the monastery of Halywode, and in king's hands by act of annexation.

B. 46. No. 108.
3 Aug., 1609.

King James VI. grants in heritage to Thomas Edzer in Kirkblane, the son and heir of the deceased Clement Edzer in Kirkblane, the 20s. lands O. E. of Westinglen formerly occupied by the deceased Nicholas Edzer and the deceased William Edzer, his son and heir, and belonging in heritage to said Clement by disposition of the said William, lying in the barony of Lochkindeloche and stewartry of Kirkcudbricht, formerly belonging to the abbey of Sweetheart and then to the Crown.

B. 48. No. 307.
26 Nov., 1617.

King James VI. grants in heritage to Patrick Edzer, merchant burgess of Edinburgh, the lands and meadow commonly called Kinges Meadow, with pigeon-house, &c., of the same, lying in the sheriffdom of Edinburgh; resigned by Sir Alex. Naper of Lawrestoun.

B. 48. No. 359.
26 Feb., 1618.

King James VI. grants in heritage to Thomas Edzer, son of the deceased John Edzer of Blakshaw, the two marklands of Corbellie O. E. in the barony of Lochekindeloche and stewartry of Kirkcudbright, formerly belonging to the abbey of Sweetheart, but annexed to the Crown.

B. 49. No. 136.
11 March, 1619.

King James VI. (conf. ch. dated 30 Jan., 1619, in which Robert Edzear of Wodderlie, with consent of Marie Dowglas, his wife, in fulfilment of a marriage contract between Sir William Cranstoun of that ilk and the Lady Sara Cranstoun for themselves and their daughter Elizabeth, and Elizabeth for herself on the one part, and Robert E. and his wife for themselves, and their firstborn John, and John for himself on the other part, with reference to a contract of marriage between said John and Elizabeth, dated at Edinburgh and Wedderlie, Jan.*) grants to the contracting parties J. and E. in conjunct fee and to the heirs to be got between them, with remainder to John's heirs whomsoever, the lands of Reidhall and Cairnslawis (or Camerlazinn), Westersodis (or Westerwodheidis), the 5 m. lands of Bassindene, the lands of Drydowlawis, Fairneknowis, and Littill Halyburtoun, in lieu of Elizabeth's twice due from the other lands of Wadderlie. Also the rest of the lands of Wadderlie, named the demesne lands and town of Wadderlie, the mill of Wadderlie, &c.; the lands of Eister Wadheide and Mannellie, and the other 5 m. lands of Bassindene, sometime occupied by the deceased Oliver and Richard Edzearis. Reserving to himself the liferent of the demesne lands and mill of Wadderlie, and the lands of Little Halyburton and to his wife, Marie Douglas, the liferent of the whole lands of Wadderlie and mill. Among witnesses Master James Edzear, lawful son of said Robert.

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B. 49. No. 424.
10 July, 1621.

King James VI. grants to Margaret Edzear, the relict of the deceased Edward Edzear, merchant burgess of Edinburgh, in liferent, and to Patrick Edzear, their firstborn son, in heritage a tenement of land in the town of Leith on the south

side of the water of the same, in the barony of Restalrig and sheriffdom of Edinburgh, between that king's lands on the east and west, the lands of the deceased Walter Cant on the south, and the lands of the deceased Walter Broun, fisher, on the north—formerly held by Walter Finlawsoun, &c.

B. 51. No. 174.
14 Feb., 1627.

King Charles I. grants an heritage to Richard Edzear, formerly servant of Sir Patrick Home of Aytoun, and now of Newtoun of Birgem, those two husbandlands and twelve acres lying within the lordship of Birgem and sheriffdom of Berwick, formerly belonging to James Dicksone of Heirdrig, and which of old belonged to the deceased Andrew Birgem, portioner of that ilk; and also that half of those 5 m. lands extending to 2½ husbandlands lying in the Newtoun of Birgem, and in the foresaid lordship and sheriffdom belonging to the said J. D. of Heirdrig, and which formerly belonged to John Dicksone, elder of Cames, by disposition of the deceased Alexander Dicksone of Heirdrig. Also those 5 husbandlands of Newtoun of Birgem and that half husbandland called Punscheoun Briggis, lying [between] Quhytrig and Todrig, formerly occupied by Patrick Dicksone of Lowheid, lying within the said lordship of Birgem and county of Berwick. And also those two marklands and a half O. E. formerly belonging to the said Patrick Dicksone of Lowheid lying *rinrig* with the towns and territories of Birgem, Fairnyrig, and Quhytrig, and those lands called Wallacecrinkis extending to a husbandland also formerly belonging to the said Patrick Dicksone resigned by James D. with consent of P. his son.

B. 52. No. 269.
19 June, 1629.

King Charles I. grants in heritage to Edward Edzer, merchant burgess of Edinburgh, the lands and meadow commonly called the Kingis Medow, alias Sharnyhall, with the pigeon-house, &c., in sher. of Edinburgh; resigned by James Wynrhame, keeper of the king's seal. Patrick Edzer, merchant burgess of Edinburgh, Jonet Stevinsone, his wife, Thomas Edzer, writer to the signet, David Stevinsone, burgess of Stirling, and Robert Stevinsone, eldest lawful son and apparent heir of the deceased James Stevinsone, portioner of Cornetown, with consent of Robert Prestoun of Craigmillar.

B. 54. No. 183.
22 Feb., 1634.

King Charles I. confirms a charter (21 Feb., 1634) by John, Lord of Halyruthons to E. Edzer, bailie of Edinburgh, of the kinges medow, or Sharnyhall, and tithes of do. in par. of Libbertoun, sher. Edinburgh.

B 384.
19 Jan., 1591-2.

King James VI. grants to Thomas Edzair in Holme and Katherine Kirkpatrick, his wife, in conjunct fee and to the heirs begot or to be begot between them, with remainder to Thomas's heirs whomsoever; the 10s. lands O. E. of Moisend, which the deceased George Harper occupied, lying in the barony of Halywod and sheriffdom of Drumfreis.

B. 47. No. 208. 22 March, 1614. King James VI. grants in liferent to Jean Maxwell, the wife of John Edgar elder, in landis; and in heritage to their eldest son, John Edger, the 5s. lands O. E. of lands in the parish of Carlaverok and sheriffdom of Drumfreis, then occupied by John the elder, forfeited by John, formerly Lord Maxwell.

B. 80. No. 95, 111. 9 Mar., 1703. Queen Anne confirms charter of disposition by Robert Brown of Carslinth, 8 Dec., 1693, granting to David Edgar, minister at Kirkmabreik, the lands called Half markland for a glebe, Kirkcudbricht.

B. 85. No. 80. 12 Feb., 1712. Queen Anne grants to John Edgar, junior, of Wedderly, eldest lawful son of John Edgar, elder, of Wedderly, and Joanna Robertson, his wife; and to the heirs male of his body to be begotten, with remainder in succession to his other three sons, Henry, Alexander, and William, and the male heirs of their bodies; and to the younger John's heirs whomsoever, the demesne lands and town of Wedderly, with tower, fortalice, &c., and mill of Wedderly, &c., the lands of Easterwoodheads and Maynwalls, Westerwoodheads, Reidhall, and Camerlaws, Dredenlaws and Lairnicknows, and Little Halyburton, in par. Woolstruther and sher. of Berwick, resigned by John Edgar, elder; reserving liferent to him and wife.

B. 92. No. 31. 22 June, 1728. King George II. grants in liferent to Thomas Edgar, late provost of Drumfries, and to his eldest daughter, Helen, and the heirs of her body, with remainder in succession to his second daughter, Janet, and heirs of her body; to John Hynd, the eldest lawful son of James Hynd, merchant and late bailie of Dumfries, and Agnes Edgar, sister of Thomas, and heirs of his body; to James Hynd, second lawful son of do., and heirs of body; and to Thomas's heirs whomsoever the lands commonly called Betwixt the Waters, including Laghall, Nethertoun Boigs Preistland, Reidbank, alias Reidbrae, with salmon fishings in the Nith and Cairgen, Armanoch, Marthron, and Woodhead, with mill, with certain reservations and provisions.

B. 99. No. 151. 12 Feb., 1748. King George II. grants in liferent to Peter Edgar in Marshfield, lately factor to the Countess of Ruglen, and to John Edgar, his only son and the heirs of his body, with remainder to the said Peter and his heirs whomsoever, the lands of Bridgelands, with the fishings on and in the water of Tweed on each side thereof near the burgh of Peebles, and in the parish and sheriffdom of the same, resigned by Mr. John Hay, minister of the gospel at Peebles.

B. 100. No. 58. 12 Feb., 1750. King George II. grants in heritage to Thomas Edgar in Netherwood the 5 m. lands O. E. of Overtoun of Kilguhaindy with the parsonage, vicarage, and tithes lying in the parish of Kirkpatrick, Durham, and stewartry of Kirkcudbright, resigned by James Garthshore, Writer to the Signet.

Inquisitiones Generales.

Edgars mentioned in "Inquisitionum quæ in publicis Archivis Scotiæ, ad huc servantur abbrevatio. MD.CCCXI." Printed by command of his Majesty.

Edinburgh.

1599. Nicholaus Edger hæres Capitanei Jacobi Edger patris in terris Patricii Edger mercatoris in burgo de Edinburgh. E. 20 M.

Nicolaus Edzer hæres Capitanei Jacobi Edzer, patris in terris occidentalis dimidietatis terrarum de Lymphoy, cum prato annuo reditu, 350 m de parte villæ A terrarum de Restalrig extendente ad 60 acras terrarum arabilium in Baronia de Restalrig annuo reditu 350 m. de 22 acris et 3 rudis terrarum arabilium de Hillhousfield ex boreali parte villæ et aquæ de Leyth in Baronia et regalitate de Brouchtoun et duabuo acris et dimidietate acræ terrarum arabilium præfatarum terrarum de Hillhousfield in Baronia de Restalrig.

1600. Aug. 23. Johannis Edgar hæres Pauli Edgar mercatoris ac burgensis de Edinburgh patrio.

1604. Patricius Edzer burgensis de Edinburgh hæres Alexandri Edzer de paper mylne prope Edinburgh patrui; in 10 acris terrarum arabilium cum molendino vocato hic paper mylne et astrictis multuris Baroniæ Craigmillour terris molendenaris cum astrina horreo lic Cobill infra Baroniam de Craigmillei. E. 41½ m.

1605. Feb. 2. Herbertus Edzare hæres huic Joannis Edzare in Crystenhill Patris.

Berwick.

1605. Mar. 28. Richardus Edger filius legit quondam Oliveri Edzer in Flas, hæres Ricardi Edger avi in terris de Houtrodlandis.

1609. Maii 18. Georgius Edger hæres Roberti Edger patris in terra husbandia in villa de Grueldykis in parochia de Duns.

1621. Maii 9. Patricius Edzear hæres Edwardi Edzear mercatoris burgensis de Edinburgh.

1610. Dec. 12. Joannes Edzar hæres Joannis Edzar in Marbrock patris.

Edinburgh.

1635. Nov. 14. Joannes Edzear hæres Nicolai Edzear mercatoris burgensis de Edin$^{r.}$ patris in tenemento in Edinburgh. E. 40.3 XIV.

1642. July 28. Edwardus Edgar hæres —— Edgar patris.

1643. Nov. 16. Clemens Edgar scriba Edinburgi hæres Jacobi Edgar.

1643. Nov. 18. Clemens Edgar scriba Edinburgi hæres Jacobi Edgar Calcarii burgensis dicti burgifratris immediati temioni.

Berwick.

1645. May 28. "Georgius Edgar de Newtoune de Bergem hæres Ricardi Edgar de Newtoune," &c.

Edinburgh.

1656. July 5. Margaret Edgar, relict of Thomas Rome of Cluden, heir of Patrick Edgar, eldest sone to Edward Edgar, merchant, burgess of Edinburgh, her brother-germane.

Berwick.

1663. May 28. "Joannes Edgar de Wederlie hæres Joannis Edgar de Wederlie patris," &c.
1668. Mar. 6. Margareta Edgar filia Joannis Edgar de Wedderlie sororis.
1668. Mar. 9. Margareta Edgar hæres Annæ Edgar filiæ Joannis Edgar de Wedderlie sororis.

Edinburgh.

1678. Nov. 13. Margareta Edgar relicta Thomæ Rome de Cluden, hæres Patricii Edgar filii Edwardi Edgar, mercatoris, burgensis de Edinburgh fratris germani in tenemento letiræ in villa de Leith et Baronia de Restalrig.

Register of Special Retours.

Berwick.

1595. Robert Edzer of Wedderlie, heir of John E., his father, in lands of Wedderlie.
1605. Mar. 28. Richard Edzer, heir of Oliver E., his father, in 2 husband lands called Duncelands.
Eod die. Richard Edzer, son of Oliver E. in Flas, heir to Richard E., his grandfather, in lands of Hountrolands.
1609. May 18. George Edzer, heir of Patrick E., his father, in lands of Grueldykes.
1645. Feb. 27. George Edzer of Newton of Birgem, heir of Richard E. of Newton of Birgem, his father, in send lands.
1663. May 28. John Edzer of Wederlie, heir of John of W., his father, in lands of Wedderlie.

Dumfries.

1594. Jan. 30. Robert Edger, heir of Robert E. of Bromerig, his father, in lands of Bromerig.
1596. May 11. John Edzare, heir of Andrew E., burgess of Dumfries, his father, in lands of Stepfund.

1602. July 20. David Edzare, heir of Christine E. in Wode, lawful daughter of John E. in Wode, of Halywode, his sister.

1605. Feb. 12. Herbert Edzare in Crysteinhill, heir of Richard E. in Crysteinhill, his grandfather, in Mains of Halywode.

1612. David Edzare, heir of Andrew E. of Guliehill, in lands of Guliehill.

1615. April 6. Wm. Edzer, heir of Thomas E. in Holme, his father, in lands of Barnhill, &c.

1638. Sept. 5. Janet Edzer, heir of John E. in Little Dempatertoun, her brother, in lands of Little Dempaterton.

Edinburgh.

1599. Dec. 6. Nicolas Edger, heir of Capt. James E., his father, son of Patrick E., merchant in Edinburgh.

1599. Dec. 7. Nicolas Edger, heir of Capt. James E., in lands of Lymphoy, part of Restalrig and Hillhousefield.

1604. Jan. 3. Patrick Edzar, burgess of Edinburgh, heir of Alexander E., of Paper Mylne, near Edinburgh, his uncle, in lands of Paper Mylne, lying in the barony of Craigmillar.

1635. Mar. 14. John Edzear, heir of Nicol E., merchant burgess of Edinburgh, his father, in tenements in Edinburgh.

1678. Nov. 13. Margaret Edzar, relict of Thomas Rome of Cluden, heir of Patrick E., son of Edward E., merchant burgess of Edinburgh, his brother, in tenements in Leith.

Kirkcudbright.

1618. Oct. 13. John Edzar of Land, heir of Clement E., his grandfather, in lands of Marlioy.

RETOURS.

Edgar, Samuel, to his father, Nicolas Edgar, merchant in Edinburgh, heir general. Date, May 7, 1706. Rec^d. May 24, 1707.

Edgar, Alexander, of Keithock, to his father, David Edgar of Keithock, who died Nov. 14, 1722, heir special, Jan. 7, 1714.

Edgar, George, fisherman at W. Eidsworth, to his grandfather, James Edgar, portioner of Melrose, heir general. Dated July 13, 1731. R, July 14, 1731.

Edgar, Richard, of Fernyrig, to his father, Andrew Edgar, of Fernyrig, merchant in Edinburgh, heir general. Dated July 21, 1738. R. June 28, 1740.

Edgar, Thomas, feuar in Dunse, to his father, Thomas Edgar, feuar there, who died ——, 1739, heir special in £863 9s. Scots, over a tenement of land, with house and yard, in Dunse, Berwickshire. Dated Feb. 25, 1748.

Edgar, Margaret, wife of Quintin Mitchell, merchant in Dalmellington, to her grandmother, Margaret Canaan, Barnsalloch, heir general. Feb. 1, 1755.

Edgar, William, weaver in Workingtoun, Cumberland, to his father, William Edgar in Troqueer, heir general. Dec. 7, 1751. Rec^d. Dec. 14, 1751.

Edgar, William, to his brother, John Edgar, son of Robert Edgar in Robgill, heir general. Dated 1752, May 19. R. May 28.

Edgar, Agnes, daughter of R. Edgar, Yettacre, of Blackshaw, to her grandmother, Agnes Hislop heir of Prov. General. Feb. 16, 1768.

Edgar, Cristina, in Newcastle, to her grandfather, John Edgar, baker in Dumfries, co-h. of provision-general. Dated 9th Feb., 1762. R. Feb. 25.

Edgar, David, son of David Edgar in Riddings, to his grand-uncle, John Armstrong of Crieve, heir portioner general. Dated 27th Jan., 1764. Feb. 3.

" " Ditto. 22nd Dec., 1763. Dec. 8.

Edgar, David, in Whitehaven (as above). 5th July, 1764. 26th July.

" " sailor, to his father, David Edgar in Riddings, heir general. 4th May, 1765. July 23.

Edgar, Jean (or Ogilvie), wife of James Ogilvie, baker, Newcastle, to her grandfather, John Edgar, baker, Dumfries, co-heir general. 1762, Feb. 25.

Edgar, Margaret (Hunter), wife of William Hunter of Newtoun, who died March 18, 1767, heir special in lands in Birghame.

Edgar, Richard, of Newtoun, to his grandfather, George Edgar of Newtoun, Birghame, who died . . . heir special in husband lands in Birghame, and in Newtoun of Birghame, and in Wallace Crook, &c., Berwickshire. Dated 17th April, 1766. June 6.

Edgar, Theodore, of Ellshashields, to his father, Robert Edgar, writer in Dumfries, heir general. 2nd April, 1765. April 9.

Edgar, George, calcareus, Edinburgh, father of Euphemia and Margaret. 2nd April, 1777.

Register of Sasines.

Berwickshire.

1685. Dec. E. S. in favour of Agnes Edgar of ane quarter of ye half lands of Eldlywhird and the pertinents.

1704. Feb. 9. I. f. of John Edgar, younger, of Wedderlie, of the lands of Redhall in Westruther.

1706. Jan. 13. I. f. of Thomas *Wedderlie*, (?) portioner of Paxtoun.

1707. Feb. 20. I. f. of Margaret Edgar, spous to John Majoribanks of Dedrigs, par. Gordon.

1710. Jan. 9. I. f. of George Edgar of Duns.

1718. July 9. I. f. of William Edgar, Baillie of Duns, and Alisone Bell his spouse.

1718. Oct. 15. In favour of Mary Home, spous to John Edgar of Wadderlie, of the Mains of Wadderlie,—fourth part of the town of Wadderlie, Dreddenlaws, Coltlands, and Redhall, all in par. of Westruther.

1720. June 7. I. f. of Robert and John Edgar in Birkenside.

1722. March 31. I. f. of Thomas Edgar, maltster in Duns, and Grissel *Frunns* (?) his spous.

1726. March 31. Thomas Edgar, maltster in Duns, a renunciation in favour of Jno. Adamson.

1726. Aug. 2.
1727. March 20.
1729. Jan. 4.
1730. Oct. 12.
} In favour of Thomas Edgar, maltster in Dunse.

Edinburgh, Linlithgow, and Haddington together.

Linlithgow. Sas. John Edgar and his spouse. Presented by Robert Edgar, coppersmith in Edinburgh, 18 May, 1715.

Edinburgh. Mary Edgar, dau. to dec. John Edgar, mercht. in Haddington, lands in Hungate and Gallowside.—3rd April, 1723.

15 Feb., 1726. J. A., presented by James Edgar, notar.

Lanark.

1777. "Alexander Edgar of Nether Auchingraymount, in all and haill that enclosure lying on the south side of the old and new breweries of Hamilton, &c. Dated 5th Nov. Inst. produced by said Francis Hamilton."—8th Nov., 1777.

Sas. Mrs. Margaret Edgar, spouse of Alexander Edgar of Nether Auchingraymount, &c., &c.

1783. No. 366. James Edgar of Auchingraymount as heir to Alex. Edgar of A., his father, seised March 1st, 1783, in Nether Auchingraymount, by Commissioners of Douglas, Duke of Hamilton and Brandon.—Feb. 26, 1783 (P. R. 21, 398).

1783. No. 384. Margaret Edgar, relict of Alexander Edgar of Auchingraymount, seised April 15th, 1783, in Nether Auchingraymount, in security of a life-rent annuity on bond by James Edgar of Auchingraymount, her son.—March 21st, 1783. P. R. 21, 410.

1789. No. 1538. Aug. 29. John Shearer, &c. S. of a piece of ground at the back of the New Brewery, Hamilton, on feu. con. betw. them and the Commissioners of Alexander Edgar of the parish of Trelawney, Jamaica.—Jan. 16, 1789. P. R. 23, 368.

1792. No. 2091. Sept. 24. Thomas Hamilton s. in 16 falls of ground in the territory of Hamilton, on feu dispo. by the attorney of Alexander Edgar, planter, parish of Trelawney, Jamaica.—Sept. 12, 1792 (P. R., 25, 27).

1792. No. 2092. Sept. 24. William King seised, Sept. 17, in $10\frac{1}{10}$ fall of ground, &c., by attorney of Alexander Edgar (*ut sup.*).

1792. No. 2136. Dec. 8. Gavin Shearer, &c., 8th Dec., in $16\frac{7}{10}$ falls in Hamilton, by attorney of Alexander Edgar of the parish of Trelawney, county of Cornwall, Jamaica. May 1, 1790. (P. R. 25, 94.)

1793. No. 2156. Jan. 21. Robert Laing, s., 17th Jan., 1793, in $24\frac{1}{2}$ falls of ground and house in Hamilton, by attorney of Alexander Edgar, &c. (*ut sup.*).

1793. No. 2171. Feb. 27. Alexander Edgar, son of Alexander Edgar of Nether Auchingraymount, seised, Feb. 26, 1793, in an enclosure on the south side of the old and new breweries, territory of Hamilton on disposition and settlement by the said Alexander Edgar, senior. Jan. 17, 1774. P. R. 25, 146.

1795. No. 2630. Ann Campbell, spouse of John Nasmith of Drumloch, as heir to John Campbell of Saffron Hall, her brother. Seised, Jan. 29, 1795, in an enclosure in the territory of Hamilton, on disposition by Alexander Edgar to the said John Campbell. April 23, 1793, and ret. Gen. Ser., Oct. 17, 1794.

1801. No. 3983. Robert Frame, Hamilton, April 10. Seised, March 31, 1 rood $29\frac{2}{10}$ fall at Quarry Loan Street, terr. of Hamilton in feu disp., by the attorney of Alexander Edgar (*ut sup.*). P. R. 29, 229.

1807. No. 4455. May 14. Janet Struthers in $29\frac{1}{3}$ falls of ground N. Brew ery, Hamilton, feu disp., by attorney of Alexander Edgar (*ut sup.*). Jamaica, Jan. 12, 1787. (P. R. 31, 11.)

1819. No. 9010. April 24. Margaret Hamilton. S., April 14, 1819, in $17\frac{1}{2}$ falls on the S. side of road from Quarry Loan to church of Hamilton (Sept. 12, 1792). P. R. 63, 249.

1787. No. 1141. Jan. 1. Handaside Edgar, M.D., at Martha Brae, in the I. of Jamaica. Seised, May 22, 1787, in Nether Auchingraymount, par. of Hamilton, in security of £400, on bond by commissioner of James Edgar of Auchingraymount. May 22, 1787. P. R. 22, 425.

1788. No. 1313. May 5. Ditto, ditto, in security of £520. Do., April 12, 1788. P. R. 23, 88.

1792. No. 1980. March 12. Ditto, seised 21 Feb., 1792, in Nether Auchingraymount, parish of Hamilton, in security of £920 on bond and dis., by James Edgar, planter, parish St. George, county Surrey, Jamaica. Dec. 10, 1787. G. R. 500, 113.

1799. No. 3571. James Edgar of Auchingraymount gets remuneration by William Hamilton of Bothwell Park of the 33s. 4d. land of Nether Auchingraymount, par. of Hamilton, and of £300 in bond of the commissioner of the said James Edgar to Alexander Hutton of Smeddycroft, Jan. 12, 1787, *vide* No. 3548. P. R. 28, 337.

Other seisins granted by James Edgar of Auchingraymount, viz.:—

1785. No. 753. May 30. Also under the following numbers in the registered index. No. 1066.

1812. No. 6800. Dec. 29. Margaret and Elizabeth Edgar as heirs portioners to James Edgar of Auchingraymount, their father, on pr. cl. con., by commissioner of Archibald, Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, Dec. 5, 1812. G. R. 935, 102.

1813. No. 6956. Aug. 21. John Nasmith seised Aug. 4 in 2 acres and 6 falls, by Margaret Edgar, daughter of James Edgar of Auchingraymount, and Elizabeth, her sister. (G. R. 950, 147.)

1816. No. 7734. March 8. W. Nasmith, 2 acres 1 rood 4 falls of the lands of Auchingraymount, by Margaret Edgar, &c. May 5th, 1815. (G. R. 1014, 25.)

1816. No. 7735. Do., do., 2 acres 6 falls. Do. G. R. 1014, 30.

1818. No. 8716. July 1. George Taylor, three acres of part of the lands of Rinus, &c. P. R. 61, 183.

Edinburgh.

1784. No. 1002. April 17. John Edgar, W.S., as heir to Peter Edgar of Bridgelands, his father seised, March 24th, in tenements at Fountain Bridge.

1789. No. 3202. April 10. Helen Edgar, wife of Henry David Inglis, D. Y., Clerk of the bills.

No. 16491. Henrietta Edgar.

No. 8517. Janet Edgar, wife of James Wright at Restalridge.

Other seisins of John Edgar are numbered as follows:—

John Edgar, No. 1002, 1004, 11,625, 13,659, 13,792, 13,957, 13,963, 14,165, 14,682, 17,416, 19,051, 24,073.

Margaret Edgar, relict of Hunter, No. 2331, 4278, 5143.

Peter Edgar of Bridgelands, No. 1002.

Lanark Particular Register of Seisins.

1742. Dec. 22. Seisin in favour of Alexander Edgar, late of Jamaica, now of Netherhouses, dated 22 Nov., 1742, and proceeding on precept contained in an heritable bond dated 15 Nov., granted to him by John Arkman in Brumettoun, of the sum of £800 sterling, to be uplifted from the lands of Ross, Rossaven, Rosspark, and Brounshell, or Brunshill (50s. old extent), within the barony of Hamilton, dukedom and regality thereof, and sheriffdom of Lanark, with certain provisions (a long document and difficult to read, but seems to contain no farther information of importance relative to the Edgars).

1750. Nov. 5. Seisin in favour of the same A. E., styled of Netherhous, dated 19 Sept., 1750, and proceeding on precept contained in an heritable bond dated 13 Sept., 1749, by James Porterfield of Nether Auchingraymount, of the sum of £130 8s. 6d. sterling out of the lands of Nether Auchingraymount.

Particular Register of Seisins for Forfar, Vol. VII.

Ff. 105—107.
1679. Nov. 3.

Seisin in favour of David Edgar, writer in Edinburgh, proceeding on charter by George, Bishop of Brechin, in all and whole that quarter or fourth part of the lands of Keithock, as well the sunny as the shadow half of the same, with the houses, buildings, gardens, tofts, crofts, parts, pendicles, and pertinents of the same whatsoever, which formerly belonged to the deceased George Croil, lying in the barony of Keithock and sheriffdom of Forfar. Also in all and whole the other three quarters or fourth parts of the said lands of Keithock, with the pertinents, including the lands and others underwritten, namely,—all and whole the demesne lands, manor place, and mansion-house of Keithock, including the town and lands of Laidsyd, the town and lands of Builbuttis, with the mill, mill lands, multures, and their pertinents and temple lands of the same, bounded between the lands of Syde on the east, the lands of * on the south, the common moor of Brechin on the west, and the lands of the mill of Newtoun on the north, with the houses, buildings, gardens, orchards, woods, fishings, moors, turbaries (or peataries), commonties, common pasture, outsets, insets, annexes, connexes, tofts, crofts, tenants, tenandries, and services of free tenants, parts, pendules, and whole pertinents of the same—all lying within the parish and regality of Brechin, barony of Keithock, and sheriffdom of Forfar. Which quarter or fourth part of the lands of Keithock, as well the sunny as the shadow half of the same, with the pertinents, were resigned by said David Edgar in the hands of the said bishop. Also the other three quarters of said lands of Keithock, including as above, were resigned in hands of said bishop by Sir John Wood of Bonitown and Thomas Forbes, doctor of medicine, and Isobel Edgar, his wife, and by David Edgar, sometime of Keithock, and James Farquharson, eldest lawful son of the deceased Archibald F. in Keithock and his deceased wife, Anne Blair, with the consent of Elspeth Mitchell, wife of the said James, to whom said lands formerly belonged, in favour of the said David Edgar, his heirs and assignees whomsoever, and for new infeftment to be given to him, his heirs and assignees, by said bishop. Charter and precept of seisin dated at the city of Brechin, 2 Oct., 1679. Among witnesses to above seisin is George Croil, junior, of Keithock.

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From an instrument of Sasine in favour of Jane Seyton, spouse of George Home of Bassendean, dated 5th Oct., 1612.

"Act etiam totas et integras duas terras husbandias in Bassendene, vocat

lie Dunee landis cum partibus, pendiculis et pertinen earundem quibuscunque jacen infra villam et territorium de Bassendene et vice comitatum predict. Quæ fuerunt Ricardi Edger filij et heredis quondam Oliveri Edger in Flas, et Ricardi Edger, fratris germani Niniani Edger in Westruther pretensorum hereditariorum possessorum dictatum terramur cum pertinen et debite ab ipsis appretiat pro," &c.

Registry of Seisins of Edinburgh, Haddington, and Linlithgow, from 1657.

Edinburgh.

1660. Jan. 4. Alexander Edgar and his spouse to the Earl of Tweddail. Lib. 2, f. 308.

Haddington.

1662. Nov. 2. Johne Edgare and Jeane Wilson, his spouse. Lib. 3, f. 320.

Edinburgh.

1670. June. Thomas Edgar, third son of John Edgar of Watherlie, half of ane tenement and land in South Leith. Lib. 17, fol. 172.

Vol. 1672 to 1690.

1676. July. Thomas Edgar, bailie of barony of Grange, and Marie Robertson, his spouse. Kirklands of Kirknewtoune. Lib. 25, f. 262.

1678. Feb. Thomas Edgar, b. of barony of Grange, and Marian Robertson, his spouse, lands in Kirknewtoune. L. 28, f. 407.

1679. Feb. Margaret Edgar, relict of Thos. Roome of Cludin, and daughter to late Patrick Edgar, son of late Edward Edgar, mer. bur. of Edinburgh, lands in Portmoryson.

1684. Dec. Thomas Edgar, chirurgeon in Edinburgh, one-half of rent of tenement and land at Bridge-end, Musselbro'. Lib. 38, f. 363.

1685. Jan. Alexander Edgar, writer, Edinburgh portion (4to part?) of the lands of Over Gogar. Lib. 38, f. 460.

1693. Nov. 17. L. 52, f. 75. Thomas Edgar, chirurgeon of Edinburgh, rent of lands and tenements in S. Leith.

1696. Aug. Thomas Edgar, son to N. Thomas Edgar, B. of B. of Grange, lands, &c., at Kirknewtoun. L. 55, f. 357.

698. June 8. Lib. 58, f. 210. Thomas Edgar, chirurgeon apothecary, Edinburgh, one half of rents of four tenements of lands in S. Leith.

1699. Aug. 4. Lib. 60, f. 115. Thomas Edgar, chirurgeon, lands and tenement in the Bridge end of Musselbro'.

1700 to 1706.

1700. Dec. 18. L. 62, f. 159. Jean Robertson, Lady of Wadderly, wife of John E. of Wadderly, son, Henrie Edgar. From Robertson of Lochbank.

1707. Sept. 23. L. 73, f. 135. William Edgar, son to deceased William E., half of lands and tenement in Caltoun.

1710 to 1715, *nil.*

Linlithgow.

1715. May 18. John Edgar and his spouse. Sasine presented by Robert Edgar, coppersmith in Edinburgh.

Haddington.

1723. April 3. Mary Edgar, daughter to deceased John Edgar, merchant in Haddington, land in Hungate and Gallowside.

1760. May 22. Alexander Edgar to Henry Wauchope. This refers to a *Wadset** by the deceased, Francis Wauchope, to "Mr. Alexander Edgar of Netherhouses, of the lands of Caikmoor † and Black Castle in the barony of Crichtoun, co. Edinburgh."

Berwickshire.

1685. Dec. L. , fol. 470. Agnes and *John* Edgar, equal portions of the lands of Nether London.

1704. (no ref. given). In favour of John Edgar, younger, of Wedderly, lands in Redhill. Westruther is presented by D. Flackart, writer in Dunse. (Various presentations by Thomas Edgar, writer in Dunse.)

1706. April 3. Thomas WEDDERLIE?

1707. Feb. 20. Margaret Edgar, spouse of John Marjoribanks of Dedrigs, presented by William Edgar, writer in Dunse.

1710. Jan. 10. George Edgar, Kirk Treasurer of Dunse, and his official successors,—

1712. Sept. 24. John Edgar, younger, of Wadderly, lands of Wadderly, Mylne, &c.

July 9. William Edgar, Baillie of Dunse and Alisone; Bell, his spouse, 3 acres in Dunse.

1718. July 9. I. f. o. William Edgar, baillie of Duns, and Alisone Bell, his spous. (*Consar* named.)

1718. Oct. 15. In favour of Mary Home, spous to John Edgar of Wadderlie, of the Mains of Wadderlie. 4th part of the town of Wadderlie, Dreddenlaws, Cottlands, and Redhall, all in the par. of Westruther.

1720. June 7. Robert and John Edgar in Berkenside.

1722. Thomas E., Maltser in Dunse, and Grissel Frinse, his spouse, 50 acres and hous, 31 March.

1725. May 24. Ditto, house, &c., in Dunse.

1726. March 21. Ditto, ditto.

1726. Aug. 2. 600 acres. Ditto, ditto.

1727. March 20. Ditto, ditto.

1729. Jan. 4. Ditto, land in Priestside.

* *Wadset*, a species of mortgage.

† Spelt in the same record indifferently *Caikmuir*, Clackmuir, Cackmur, and Cackmoor.

1730. Sept. 2. Richard, eldest son of Andrew E. of Farneyrigg, and Margaret Bell, his spouse. Farneyrigg, Lowhead, Gressill Hall (before Wallace Crook, Brigham, and Reidpath).

1730. Oct. 12. Thomas E., maltster in Dunse. Houses, &c.

1732. Dec. 23. Thomas E., ditto, l. and h. in Nicolside, Dunse.

Register of Entails, Receiving Office, Edinburgh.

Berwick.

1734. July 9. Edgar, John of Wedderlie, in favour of Robert, Lord Blantyre, viii., 367.

Dumfries. Edgar, Theodore of Echieshiels, lands, &c., of, and others. Date, Dec. 5, 1782;

1784. March 4. xxii., 378.

RECORD OF SERVICE OF HEIRS, RECORD OFFICE, EDINBURGH.

Alexander Edgar of Keithock, &c., to his father, David Edgar of Keithock, who *d.* 14th Nov., 1722. Date of Record, Jan. 7, 1724.

George Edgar to his grandfather, James Edgar, portioner of Melrose, heir gen. July 14, 1731.

Theodore Edgar (or Johnston), son of Robert Edgar, writer, Dumfries, to his godfather, Alexander Johnston of Esheshiells, heir of Provision General Record. Aug. 10, 1738.

Thomas Edgar, feuar in Dunse to his father, who died in 1739.

Richard Edgar of Ferneyrigg, to his father, Andrew, died June 28, 1743.

Margaret Edgar, wife of Quintin Mitchell, merchant in Dalmellington, to her grandmother, Margaret Canaan, Barnsalloch, heir gen. Feb. 1, 1755.

William Edgar, weaver, grandfather to William E. Troqueer. Dec. 14, 1751.

William Edgar, to his brother John, son of Robert Edgar in Robgill, heir gen. May 25, 1752.

Agnes Edgar, dau. of Robert Edgar Yettacre of Blackshaw, to her great-grandmother, Agnes Hislop.

Christina Edgar, to her father, John Edgar, baker in Dumfries. 25th Feb., 1762.

David Edgar, ", ", ", } son of David Edgar in Reddings, to his great-uncle, John Armstrong. { 1763. July 23, &c.

Jean Edgar, to her grandfather, John Baker, Dumfries.

Margaret Edgar, or Hunter, to her father, Richard Edgar of Newton. May 16, 1767.

Richard Edgar of Newton, to his grandfather, George Edgar. June 6, 1766.

Theodore Edgar of Ellshieshiells, son of Robert. 9th April, 1766.

Jean Edgar, or McKie, wife of James Edgar in Dumfries.

Helen Edgar, wife of William Corrie, near Dumfries. 1770-79.

Anne Edgar, to her father, James Edgar, surgeon and druggist in Dunse, heir of Prov. General. April 3, 1772.

Euphemia Edgar, to her father, George Edgar, shoemaker in Edinburgh.

Margaret Edgar, her sister. April 2, 1777.

John Edgar of Bridgelands, *w. s.*, to his father, Peter Edgar of Bridgelands, heir general. March 30, 1781.

Agnes Edgar,
Isabella Edgar,
Jean Edgar,
Christina Edgar, } daughters of William Edgar, merchant, Glasgow. Feb. 18, 1791.

Ann, wife of Henry Raeburn, portrait painter, Edinburgh, to her brother, John Edgar, *w. s.* Dec. 12, 1799.

Helen Inglis,
Henrietta Oliphant,
Margaret Tait,
Susan Dickie, } to their brother, John Edgar, *w. s.* Dec. 12, 1799.

Register of the Privy Seal.

1497. Nov. 16. Grant to Robert Edgar of Wedderlie of ward and marriage of William Redpath.—Vol. i., fol. 24.

1542. May 11. Escheat of George Edgar to Robert Edgar of Wedderlie, the said George being a fugitive and outlawed for the *slauchter* of umquhile Alexander Boyd.—Vol. xvi., fol. 4.

1546. Feb. 26. Infeftment of the lands of Creoquhane to *Quentin* Edgar, son of *Ninian.*—Vol. xxi., fol. 72.

1563. Nov. 14. "Exemption from hoistes and raids—to Patrick Edgar, burgess of Edinburgh."—Vol. xxxiii., fol. 124.

1565. July 5. Confirmation of lands called Meklehalf, in the barony of Rerik, to Thomas Edgar.—Vol. xxxv., fol. 6.

1567. Feb. 26. Confirmation of teinds, called Newark, in co. Dumfries, to John Edzeare.—Vol. xxxvii., fol. 43.

1581. July 24. Confirmation charter, "facta per Joanne *Wedderlie* in Groweldykis, Roberto Edgar in Swynton, &c., terr. husband., in Villaet territorio de Groweldykis." Dated at Holyroodhouse 24th Oct., 1581. These lands to be held of the king and his successors.—Vol. xlviii., fol. 45.

1587. April 18. Escheat of life-rent of "James Edgar in litill Aleburton, to Robert Edgar, his sone," of goods and gear, silver and gold, coined and uncoined, jewels, &c., he, James Edgar, having been "denounced rebel and put to the horne for not completing marriage with Marion Hoppringle, dauchter to umquhile William Hoppringle of Ouseybyre, and having thereby forfeited all to our Sovereign Lord the King." Dated at Dumfries.—Vol. lv., fol. 52.

1593. March 15. Infeftment of Langmyrsyde to Thomas Edgar in Furd.—Vol. lxvi., fol. 134.

1602. Nov. 24. Infeftment of the lands of Barnhill, to Thomas Edgar in Holme.—Vol. lxxii., fol. 177.

1603. March 3. Escheat of Muirhead, bastard to Edgar.—Vol. lxxiv., fol. 69.

1609. Jan. 2 Confirmation charter by the king, on a charter — "alienatione venditione et dispositione—data et concessa per Andream Wardlaw de Torry," with consent of Andrew, his son, and heir of the whole of the barony of Inchgall, in the viscounty of Fife, to Edward Edgar, senior, merchant burgess of Edinburgh, and Clement Edgar, his son. Dated at Edinburgh, 2nd Jan., 1609.—Vol. lxxvii., fol. 180.

The Edgars seem scarcely to have held Inchgall, Inchgawe, or Lochawe, as it was severally called.

1. Lady Elizabeth Turnbull, of Sir John Preston of Pennycuick, was retoured heir to her father, William Turnbull of Airdrie. Aug. 9, 1614.

2. Andrew Wardlaw of Torie was retoured heir of his father, Patrick Wardlaw of Torie in Lochirschyre Wester, otherwise Inchgall, and "Bowhouis" of Inchgall. May 23, 1627.

3. John E. of Rothes was retoured heir to Inchgall. April 22, 1642.

1609. Aug. 3. Charter of the lands, &c., of Wester Glen, co. Kirkcudbright, previously held by Nicol Edgar and William, his son, to Thomas Edgar in Kirkblane, son to umquhile Clement Edgar. Dated at *Edinburgh.*

This is granted by the king, with consent of Mr. James Preston of Pennecuick, Collector-General and Treasurer of the New Augmentation.

These lands had, according to the charter, been disponed by the late William, above mentioned, to Thomas.—Vol. lxxviii., fol. 141.

1619. March 11. Confirmation charter by Robert Edgar of Wedderlie with consent of Mary Douglas, his spouse (reserving to themselves their life-rent), to their eldest son, John Edgar, and his wife, Elizabeth Craustoun, the lands of Reidhall, Cammerlaws, Bassendene, Little Haliburton, &c., in conjunct fee simple. A charter to the same effect is recited as bearing date at Wedderlie, 30th Jan., 1619.

Robert Edgar now makes an additional grant in similar terms of the manor place, demesne lands, and fortalice of the lordship of Wedderlie, and likewise of the lands of Bassendean, &c., aforetime occupied by the late Oliver Edgar and his son Richard. Dated at Edinburgh, 11th March, 1619.—Vol. lxxxix., fol. 211.

1626. Nov. 20. Escheat of Richard Edgar of Newtoun, "the time of his denunciacion to the horne during his rebellion" for not fulfilling his obligation as cationer for Andrew Home, eldest son of Sir Patrick Home of Aytoun. Granted to James Reoll.—Vol. xcviii., fol. 368.

1627. Feb. 14. Infeftment of the lands of Bassindean and Newton of Bergem to Richard Edgar, servand to Sir Patrick Home of Aytoun. The latter lands previously held by James Dixon of Heirdrig, and before him by Andrew Bergem, portioner of the same. Also lands of John Dickson, senior, of Kames, and of Patrick Dickson of Louhed, and of the latter's mother, Eupham McDougall, and of his wife Janet Logan. Dated at Holyrood House, 14 Feb., 1627.—Vol. xcix., p. 210.

1628. June 12. Infeftment of Kingsmeadow, otherwise Shirenhall, in the sheriffdom of Edinburgh, to Edward Edgar, mer. burgh. of Edinburgh. Dated at Holyrood House, 12 June, 1628.—Vol. ci., f. 259.

1634. Feb. 22. Confirmation of *Teindsheaves* of Kingsmeadow to Edward Edgar. At Edinbr. —Vol. cv., p. 113.

1664. Nov. 16. Escheat of Edger to Wilsone. (In Min. Book no reference to vol. or page.)

1673. Mar. 5. Ward of the son of umquhile Nicoll Edgar, mer. bur. of Edinbr., to Wm. Purves of Woodhouse. Vol. ii. (Ser. 2d.).

1726. Jan. 21. Resignation of the lands, fortified towers, manor place of Wedderlie, with Easterwood lands, Westerwood lands, Mainwalls, Reidhall, Cammerlaws, Draidenlaws, Fairicknons, Little Halliburton, &c., to Edward McCulloch of Ardwall. (No reference to vol. or page in Min. Book.)

Extracts from Index of Minute Book, Regr. of Deeds (Dalr. Off.), Edinburgh.

1663, 20th April, obl. Edgar to Rigg.
1663, 16th June, obl. Handiside to Cheislie.
1664, 22nd February, obl. Edgar to Kinghorne.
1664, 18th July, disch. Grahmie to Edgar.
1664, 23rd December, cont. Edgar and Edgar.
1665, 21st June, obl. Edgar to Collier.
1665, 29th November, obl. Handisyde to Irving.
1665, 29th November, obl. Handisyde to Duhame.
1666, 10th January, assig. Edgar to Pearson.
1666, 12th February, obl. Edgar to Scott.
1666, 11th October, disch. Edgar to
1667, 20th June, obl. Edgar to Hamilton.
1667, 19th December, Jack Edgar and Conrie.
1671, 19th May, Edgar to Wilson.
1673, 14th February, obl. Edgar to Gledstanes.
1674, 28th January, obl. Edgar to Tailfer.

1675, 13th November, obl. Edgar to Wood.
1676, 16th March, Cheislie to Tutor of Visct. Stormond.
1676, 21st August, obl. Edgar to Craufurd.
1676, 14th November, obl. Rome, &c., to Edgar.
1677, 8th June, obl. Edgar to Sleich.
1681, 8th June, obl. Edgar to Dalrymple.
1682, 10th March, obl. Hutton to Cheislie.
1682, 14th July, obl. Edgar to Bell.
1687, 13th August, Jack Lue to Edgar.
1690, 12th August, obl. pre. Handiside to Marshal.
1690, 15th December, obl. Edgar to Gordon.
1691, 29th May, obl. Handiside to Chatto.
1700, 10th December, prot. Edgar cont. E. of Cassillis.

Bond of Annuity by George Leslie, Esq., Advocate, Edinburgh, to Miss Ann Edgar, registered 27th January, 1778.—Reg. of Deeds, Dal. Off., Vol. 223, fol. 183.

The Testament dative of John Edgar, Writer to the Signet, 8th Feb., 1800.—May 29, 1799; Dec. 29, 1800.—Commt. of Edin., Vol. 31, part 2.

1664. Dec. 23. Umquhile Edward Edgar, burgess of the burgh of Edinburgh, and the said Patrick Edgar, son and heir.
Andrew and Margaret Edgar, bairns; Edward Edgar the elder; Margaret, spous to Walter Cant.
Margaret and Andrew, heirs of umquhile Edward Edgar; David Johnston; Margaret Edgar, relict of said Edward Edgar; David ——— (?); Alex. Leslie; Edward Edgar; Walter Cant; Patrick Edgar; Margaret Edgar (2nd); John Johnston; all subscribers to the deed.—Dated at Johnstone, Nov., 1627.*

1666. Oct. 11. Edward Edgar of *Pepper*myln, bur. of Edin., and Alex, Edgar, fiar of Peppermyln, eldest lawful son, proprietor of the lands, kynds, &c., to Harry Osborne and Helen Boner his spouse, &c.

Register of Deeds.—Receiving Office, Edinburgh.

1693.	July 19.	Ormestoune and Edgar	(Dur. Off.).
1696.	June 5.	Edgar and Rutherford	„
1697.	April 29.	Edgar and Home	„
1699.	Aug. 30.	Heirs of Edgar and Home	„
1699.	Aug. 30.	Edgar and Edgar	„
1701.	Feb. 18.	Edgar and Bogge	„
1723.	Oct. 28.	Edgar and Allan	„

* See also Par. Reg. of Dun.

1724. Feb. 28. Edgar and Leslie (Dur. Off.).
1741. April 2. Alison and Edgar (Dul. Off.).
1741. May 14. Fraser and Edgar „
1741. Sept. 4. Edgar and Cleghorn „
1741. Nov. 12. Pro. Edgar and Carmichael (Dul. Off.).
1742. Feb. 1. Murray and Edgar (Dul. Off.).
1742. June 1. Neilson and Edgar (Mac. Off.).
1742. Aug. 18. Baillie and Edgar (Dal. Off.).
1742. Nov. 30. Newton and Edgar „
1742. Dec. 18. Countess of March and Edgar (Dal. Off.). (Peter Edgar, factor to the countess.)
1742. June 2. Kinnear and Edgar (Dur. Off.).
1742. May 17. Edgar and Finlason „
1742. Dec. 15. Mackenzie and Edgar (Dal. Off.).

Decisions of Court of Session.

1676. July 7. Edgar and Milne.
1677. June 8. Edgar and Haich.
1627. Mar. 22. Edgar and Craigton's heirs.
1713. July 23. Edgar. . . . (John E., chirur. Hadd. ad. Christian, m. to Thos. Sinclair.)
1690. Feb. 14. McFarlan and Edgar.

Register of Deeds.—Durie (Edinburgh).

1697. April 29. Home and Edgar.
Alexander Home, only son of David Home, of Woolstruther, burdens the latter lands with payment of a debt due to Richard, son of George Edgar of Newtoune.
1724. Feb. 28. Edgar and Leslie.
A protested bill, signed by Wm. Leslie, and endorsed in favour of Richard Edgar, wryter in Edinburgh. Dated Leith, 31 Dec., 1723.

Register of Deeds.—Dalroff.

1666(7). Jan. 10. Edgar to Pearsone.

Résumé.

"Be it kenned till all men be ther present letters, me, Nicol Edgar, merchand in Edinburgh, designed in the obligacion underwritten, Nicol Edgar, brother to John Edgar, of Wadderly, and servitour to James Colquhoun, mer. bur. of Edinburgh, for so meckle as John Gordoun of Rusco, be his obligacion of the

date, the fifth day of Nov., the year of God one thousand six hundred and forty-seven, granted him to have *band*, and receivit it from the said *James* (sic) Edgar of Wedderly, my tutor for the time and in name, &c., of me the some of 4,000 marks, Scots money, as being in pairt of my bairns, pair of geir, and portion natural falling and belonging to me by the decease of umquhile Nicol Edgar, mer., my father. . . . John Gordoun, of Rusco, principal, and umquhile Alexander Gordoun (?). Earlstoune, umquhile, Wm. Glendowning, of Gulstone, Provost of Kirkcudbright, &c., as cautioners and securitie for ther band and obleist &c., to have paid and delivered again to said John Edgar of Wadderly, my tutor foresaid to be made forthcoming to my profit . . . before 1648.

"'And now for ane sum of money paid to me by Alex. Pearsone, &c.'
"John Rollo, adv., by curator.
"William Nicoll, writer in Edinburgh, at Collington, 28th day of May, 1665.
"Witnesses—John Nicoll, Yr., W.S., James Aitchinsone, of Nether Preston, &c.
(Signed) "Nicol Edgar.
Alex. Edgar."

Register of Deeds.—Dalrymple's Office.

Vol. XII.
1664. Dec. 23.

Registered contract commencing as follows :—At Edinburgh, and the year of God 1635, it is appoynted, agreed, and contracted betwixt the pairties following to witt Edward Edgar, burges of the brŭgh of Edinburgh, and ane of the putt baillies theirof, and David Johnestoun, elder, after mentioned sumtyme baillie of the samyne, wha war sometyme tutters testamenters to Patrick Androw and Edward Edgers, laufull bairnes to umquhill Edward *Edgers*,* merchantt burges of the said brŭgh, ther *father*,* on that ane pairt, and the said Patrick Edger, sone and aire, and ane of the executers of the said umquhill Edward, now at his laufull and perfyt age of tuentie-ane yeires, compleit for himselfe and the saidis Androw and *Margreat* * Edgares, bairnes and executers for saidis, and also for rycht that can pretend be decease of the said umquhill Edward Edger, younger, their brother, asaires, executers, or wtherwayes, with consent of Walter Cant, merchantt burges of the said brughe of Edinburgh, curraters to the said Androw and Margreat Edgers, and Margreat Edgers, relict of the said umquhill Edward Edger, elder, and now spous to the said Walter Cant, with adwyce of the said W. C., now her husband, for his intrise, and the said Walter Cant for himselfe, and takand the burdine for the said Margreat Edgar, his spous, and for ther bairnes the other pairt—in maner, forme, and effect as often follows (etc.).

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Vol. XIX. 1667. June 20. Bond by John Edgar, merchant in Edin., to George Hamilton, merchant burgess of Edin., for £338 Scots, &c., dated 20th Sept., 1666.

Vol. XL. 1675. Aug. 25. In presence of the Lords of Counsell and Sessione compeired Wm. Zeman, advocat, as procurator for John Edgar of Wadderlie, principall, and Nicoll Edgar, merchand in Edin., cautioner, and gave in the band vnderwritt in quhair of the tennor followes:—I John Edgar of Wadderlie, with consent of Nicoll Edgar, merchand in Edinburgh, my tutor, by these presents, grant me to be justlie addebted and restand awand to Samuell Cheislie, chirurgeon, burges of Edin., all and haill the soume of eight hundreth merkis Scotts mony and that for the prentisfie agreed upon betwixt me and my said tutor on the ane pairt, and the said Samuell Cheislie on the other pairt, to be payed to him with Alexander Edgar my brother german, for the said Samuellis entertaineing my said brother at bed and board, and for breading and instructing him in the calling of chirurgeon during the space and yeires contained in the indentouris maid thairanent, and therfor I with consent forsaid as principall, and the said Nicoll Edgar as cautioner for me, bind and obleidge us, our aires, executours, intromettouris, withan goods and geir, and successouris of quhatsomever conjunctlie and severallie thankfullie to pay and delyver to the said Samuell Cheislie, his aires, executouris, or assignais, the forsaid soume of 800 merkis with the annual rents thereof fra Mertimus last to the terme of payment vnderwrittin, and that betwixt the dait of thes presents and the terme of Witsonday nixtocome, but longer delay, with the soume of fourscoir punds mony forsaid of liquidat expenssis in case of falzie by and attour the said soume and annual rent therof, together with the ordinary annual rent of the said principall soume conforme to the Act of Parliament yairlie, termelie, monthlie, and proportionallie dureing the not payment of the said principall soume after the said terme of payment. And I the said John Edgar bind and obleidge me and my forsaids to warrant, freith, releive, and skaithles keep the said Nicoll Edgar and his said cautioner of all coast, skaith, damnage, interest, or expenssis that he at his forsaids shall sustaine or incur therthrow in any sort, &c.

[Deed written by R. Kennedy, servitor to Mr. Wm. Cheislie, writer in Edin., and dated at Edinburgh, 31st Dec., 1666.]

Information for Richard Edgar of Newtoun against the relict and children of Robert Clarkson in Coldingham. Umquhile Andrew Bell, of Belfoord, and Adam Bell, his eldest son, and George Edgar of Newtoun, his son-in-law, concerning a bond executed on his marriage in 1664. David Home of Westruther married the relict of the said George Edgar. The period of the case includes the following dates,—1696, 1701-2-4.

1704. (Skem $C\frac{2}{19}$, 1704, $\frac{E}{1}$.)

1691-1696. Thos. Edgar, chirurgeon, and John Jollie, merchant in Edinburgh, on a bond 23rd May, 1691. Date of Writ, 1693.

Register of Deeds (*Durie*), 1 Jan., 1682, to 31 Dec., 1703.

1714. Dec. 14. John Edgar in favour of John Edgar. "I, John Edgar of Wedderly, hery proprietor of ye lands of Wedderly," &c., "in implement of the contract of marriage between Jean Robertson, only laufull daughter to ye deceast Thomas Robertson, elder, baillie in Edinburgh, resign into ye hands of Henry Matie and Royall Surv, or barones, the lands, maines, and town of Wedderly, with the tower, fortalice, and manour place, houses, biggings, and haill pertinents, with ye miln of Wedderly, miln lands, multures and lands of Easterwood heads, Maynwell, Westerwood-heads, Rockhall, Camerlaws, and farme Knowes, Little Halyburton with all and sundrys outsetts lying in the parish of Woolstruther, in the sheriffdom of Berwick, to John Edgar, my eldest laufull son and air (heir), failing whom, to Harie Edgar, my second son, failing whom to Alexander Edgar, my third son, failing whom, to William Edgar, my fourth son, and failing whom to my heirs general.

1716. Dec. 1. Resignation of John Edgar to John Edgar.

1696. June 5. Edgar and Rutherford, obl.

1697. April 29. Edgar and Home, obl.

1698. *Nil.*

1699. Aug 30. Heirs of Edgar and Home, obl.

" " Edgar and Edgar, disch.

1701. Feb. 18. Edgar and Bogge, obl.

1693. July 19. Ormiestoune ytro Edgar.

1723. Oct. 28. Edgar to Allan, Bond.

1724. Feb. 28. Edgar and Leslie.

1750. March 13. } Thomas Edgar, feuar and maltster in Dunse.
1757. Nov. 1. }

Walter Riddell, merchant in Eyemouth.

Sir Walter Riddell of that ilk.

1664. Dec. 23. Edward Edgar, baillie of Edinburgh and burgess of the same city. Dated at Johnstoun. Estate of Patrick Edgar, umquhile Edward Edgar, the elder, and Walter Cant. Andrew and Edward Edgar, sons to the deceased Edward Edgar, and Patrick Edgar, his son and heir, Margaret Edgar, &c.

1664. Dec. 23 (continued). Andrew and Margaret Edgar, bairns of umquhile Edward Edgar, Margaret Edgar, spouse to Walter Cant, Margaret Edgar, relict of said Edward Edgar; David Johnston, Alexander Leslie, Edward Edgar, Patrick Edgar, Margaret Edgar, John Johnston, Margaret Edgar, and Walter Cant. These eight last named were parties to the deed.

Contract of Marriage.

Leslie and Edgar. (Reg. of Deeds, Dabr. Off., Vol. 223, f. 184.) Articles of marriage betwixt Mr. James Leslie and Miss Ann Edgar. Dated 16th Sept., 1772, and Reg. 27th Jan., 1778.

"It is contracted between Mr. James Leslie, only son of George Leslie, Esquire, presently residing at Bruntsfield Links, with consent of his said father of the one part, and Miss Anne Edgar with consent of Peter Edgar of Bridgelands, her father, on the other part," &c.

The parties to this marriage were George Leslie, representative of the Leslies of New Leslie (see Lyon Reg., and Leslie's Hist. of the Family of Leslie), his only son, James of Deanhaugh, called *Count* Leslie, and Anne, eldest daughter of Peter Edgar, by his wife Ann, co-heiress of John Hay, minister of Peebles (who died in 1769).

The issue of this marriage was one son, drowned in boyhood, and two daughters.

On the death of her first husband, James Leslie, Anne Edgar married Henry Raeburn (afterwards knighted), the celebrated portrait-painter.

Acts of Parliament, and of the Privy Council.

Extracts from Acta Parl. (Sec.), Adv. Lib., Edin.

1552. Thomas Edgar, Blackshaw.

1552. John Edgar, Cherington.

1552. John Edgar, Carnseon.

1552. John Edgar, Chrystinhals.

1598. Edgarstoun, Relief to Lord of Drumlanrig, and Edgerstoun, . . . Edgar, witness.

1628. Patrick Edgar, Commissioner of Supply for Wigton.

1643-51. . . . Edgar, Edgar of Newtoun, and Edward Edgar, burgess of Edinburgh, Commissioners for sheriffdom of Berwick.

1661. An Act in favour of Thomas Ker of Mersington, *versus* George Edgar of Newtown, for depriving him of the service of his tenantry.

1661. Edward Edgar of Peppermilne, Commissary of Excise, with Lord Ramsay and others.

1661. Edward Edgar, the Lairds of Middrie Newtown, and Little of Overliberton appointed commissioners to try Marion Craig and others suspected of witchcraft.

1661. Edward Edgar and the same commission appointed to try John Ramsay and seven others for the same offence.

1663. Edward Edgar, J.P. for the shire of Edinburgh.

1681. John Edgar of Wedderly, a member of Parliament of Scotland (returned in opposition to the Hon. Chas. Home, afterwards sixth Earl of Home).

1689. { Edgar of Wedderly, Berwickshire. / The Laird of Edgerstoun. } Commissioners of Supply.

1690. David Edgar of Kethick. Ditto.

1696. Alexander Edgar, commissioner of the borough of Haddington, took his oath of allegiance and was appointed one of the commissioners to answer the king's letter.

1698. Alexander Edgar, burgess of the borough of Haddington.

1700. Alexander Edgar, commissioner for the borough of Haddington, was one of the members that voted for an act, and dissented from an address, concerning Caledonia.

1704. David Edgar of Kethick taxed.

1704. Edgar of Newtoun Berwick taxed.

1704. John Edgar represents in Edinburgh his father, Thomas Edgar, chirurgeon.

1704. Mistress Ann Edgar, an indweller of Edinburgh, creditor of George Dundas of Leith.

1706. Alexander Edgar of Haddington voted as a burgess of Edinburgh.

Protest in the name of the city of Edinburgh, signed by Sir William Johnstone, Alexander Edgar, and others.

Edgars mentioned in a list furnished by Lord Maxwell (Earl of Morton), when an Act of the Scottish Parliament passed in his favour, 1585.

Thomas E. in the Bowhouse.
John E. in Blackshaw.
John E. in Cheringtoun.
Charles E. in Glenhowane.
John E.
John E. in the Mains.
Robert E.
John E. in Carmute.
Herbert E. in Woodend.
John E., son of Thos. E. in the Bowhouse.
Clement E., his brother.
John E., writer.
John E. in Chrystinghill.
Thomas E. in Holme.
John E. in Carnseclot.
John E., traveller, Nink.
David E. in Gullyhill.
Robert E. in Brurig.
Geordie E. in Furde.
Thomas E.
Andrew E. in Newton.
Geordie E. in Gribtoun.
Willie E. in Cargane.
John E. in Coreris.
John E.
Thome E. in Auchindolie.
John E. in Holme.
John E. (minister).
Willie E.
John E.
Robert E.
Willie E.
Nichol E.

NOTE on the Act in favour of John, Earl of Morton (by F. Maxwell, Esq.).—John Maxwell, Earl of Morton, was the son of the second daughter of James Douglas, Earl of Morton, whose youngest and third daughter married James, Earl of Morton (the Regent), but they had no family. The eldest daughter was married to the Duke of Hamilton, and Chastelherault, Earl of Arran. The Hamiltons

made over their right of succession to Lord Maxwell, both as to title and estates, but James Douglas, who married the youngest daughter, prevailed on his father-in-law to make an entail in his favour, which he himself afterward altered, but the change was, I believe, confirmed by Act of Parliament. A standing feud between him and Lord Maxwell was the consequence; the latter was even imprisoned by the Regent when he had the power. On the forfeiture and execution of James, Earl of Morton, John, Lord Maxwell, was *created Earl of Morton* in 1581. The former Earl of Morton's forfeiture being reversed in 1585, the old title revived in favour of Archibald, Earl of Angus, the heir under Morton's entail. Lord Maxwell still retained the title under the creation of 1581. His son, John Lord Maxwell, did not use it, but on his brother Robert being restored after his brother's forfeiture, the *new title* of Earl of Morton revived; and on 29th August, 1620, on the recital that it was inconvenient to have two titles of the same name (Morton), King James changed the title of Morton into that of Nithsdale, in favour of Robert, Lord Maxwell, and his heirs male, with the precedency of the creation of 1581. He thereupon became Robert, Earl of Nithsdale, and what seems singular, even *his mother*, formerly Countess Dowager of Morton, thenceforth also called herself Countess of Nithsdale, the changed title.

Acta Dominorum Concilii, 1495.—Jas. Nesbit and Willia Wedd'lee, mentioned in a (Berwickshire) suit with David Lile.

In "Ane Acte in favoure of Johnne, Erll of Mortoun, his freindis & Saundis," 10 Dec., 1585, occur the following :—

1. Edgar, Thomas, Bowhouse.
   Edgir, Thomas, in the Bowhouse.
2. Edyer, John, in Blakschaw.
3. Edyir, John, in Cheringtoun.
4. Edyir, John, in Hiemanis.
5. Edyer, Robert, in Bankend.
6. Edyer, John, in Carmuck.
7. Edyer, Herbert, in Wodend.
8. Edyeir, John, sone to Thomas, Bowhous.
9. Edyer, Clement, his *bro(th)er*, Bowhous.
10. Edyir, John, *writar*.
11. Edyer, Herbert (Kirkmaho).
12. Edyer, John, in Chrystinghill.
13. Edyer, Thomas, in Holme.
14. Edyer, John, in Carnseclot.
15. Edyer, John, *travellor*.
16. Edyer, David, in Gullyhill (Halywood).
17. Edyer, Robert, in Bruarig (?).
18. Edyer, Geordie, in Furde.
19. Edyer, Thomas.
20. Edyer, Andro, in Newtoun.
21. Edger, Geordie, in Gribtoun.
22. Edyer, Willie.
23. Edyer, John.
24. Edyer, Willie, in Newabbey.
25. Edgir, John, in Kirkbane.
26. Edyer, John, in ,,
27. Edyir, John, in Kirkpatrick Duram.
28. Edyir, Thomas, in ,,
29. Edyir, John, in Cuddy Kue (Annandale).
30. Edyeir, John, *minister* in Annandale.
31. Edyer, Robert, in ,,
32. Edyir, Willie, in ,,
33. Edyer John in ,,
34. Edyer, Willie, in ,,
35. Edyir, Nicoll, in ,,

Extracts from the Court Books of the Shire of Berwick.

Valuation of Rents.

1649. Margaret Edgar, Chirnside, £22 10s. Scots.
1649. George Edgar, Eccles, £480 Scots.
1798. Andrew Edgar, in a list of small heritors in rental of Dunse, in process of augmentation.
1715. Andrew Edgar of Farneyrig. / Richard Edgar of Newton. — In a list of heritors, life-renters, and wadsetters in the shire of Berwick.

1731. Thomas Edgar, Dunse.
1732. James Edgar, Dunse.
1744. James Edgar, Dunse.
1746. Richard Edgar of Newton.
1752. James Edgar, Dunse.
1767. Richard Edgar of Newton.
— In a list of the heritors of Berwickshire.

1637. Richard Edgar of Newton.
1669. John Edgar of Wedderlie.
1682. Patrick Edgar and Alexander his son.
16—. George Edgar.
1701. William Edgar, writer, Dunse.
1703. John Edgar of Wedderlie.
1711. Nicol Edgar, minister of Hopkirk.
1757. Richard Edgar of Newton.
— Autographs.

The List of Deputy Lieutenants, and of the Officers of the Three Battalions of the Fencibles of the Shire of Berwick.

1714. John Edgar of Wedderlie, Y^r^, Captain, &c.
1714. Richard Edgar of Newton, Captain and Field Officer in the Red Regiment.
1714. William Edgar in Fogo., Lieutenant.

List of Feu Duties in the Rental of Alexander Hay of Drumelzier.

1731-2. James Edgar and Patrick Brown.
1731-2. George Edgar in Mainhall.
1731-2. Thomas Edgar in Mainhall.
1731-2. James Edgar, chirurgeon (a tenement south side of Mercote Place).
1731-2. Thomas Edgar (Alexander Martin's tenement).

Deeds recorded.

Record.	Date.	
1700.	1685.	Bond by Robert Edgar of Birkenside.
1703.	1700.	Indenture between George Edgar, Eccles, and Thomas Richardson, Dunse.
1703.	1703.	John Bell to John Edgar, Dunse.
1704.	1704.	Factory to William Edgar, writer, Dunse.
1705.	1705.	Bond by James Edgar, Dunse.
1705.	1705.	Obligation to George Edgar, Dunse.
1706.	1704.	Bond, James Edgar (to Mark Douglas), Dunse.
1706.	1706.	Discharge by John Edgar.
1706.	1704.	Bond to James Edgar, Dunse.
1708.	1703.	Bond to William Edgar, Birkenside.
1709.	1693.	Bond to Thomas Edgar in Muirtown.
1709.	1698.	Bond by John Edgar in Ellensyde to Thomas Edgar, surgeon, Edinburgh.
1709.	1709.	Bond by George Edgar, Dunse.
1709.	1699.	Bond to Thomas Edgar, surgeon, Edinburgh.
1709.	1701.	Bond by John Edgar of Wedderlie to Thomas Edgar, surgeon, Edinburgh.
1709.	1709.	Bond (by John Haitlie in Swinton) to Thomas Edgar, surgeon, Edinburgh.
1709.	1702.	Bond (by George Roucheid, Dunse), to Thomas Edgar, surgeon, Edinburgh.

N.B.—The index to the Register of Deeds in the Court Books of Berwickshire contain many entries of various other deeds by and to Edgars of Wedderlie, Overhouse, Ryslaw, Coldstream, Antonshill, &c. Amongst these would doubtless be found clues to various branches of Wedderlie, which, however, it would be an unprofitable labour to trace, the present object being amply attained by pointing out these sources of information.

Extracts from Decisions of the Court of Session in Scotland.

1612.		Captain Edgar *v.* John Jackson, his tutor.
1613.	July 23.	The deceased, William Brown, chirurgeon in Haddington, bequeathed 700 merks Scots to his daughter, Christian Brown, and her husband, John Edgar.
1614.	Jan.	John Edgar *v.* Executors of Edward Edgar.
1616.		Gibson *v.* Executors of Edward Edgar.
1624.	July 15.	Thomas Edgar *v.* the Laird of Craigmillar, for "infeftment of lands."
1626.	July 15.	Ditto, ditto.
1627.		Margaret Edgar *v.* Edgar's executors. She was relict of David Edgar, and then married to Walter Cant.
1627.	March 22.	Thomas Edgar's decreet *v.* umquhile Laird of Craigmillar.

1628. Concerning a debt due to Nicol Edgar, as appears by the will of Edward Edgar.

1628. July 10. Cant *v.* estate of Edward Edgar, cautioner for William Maxwell of Carvens.

1634. Edgar *v.* Darling, at Melrose, "for wounding."

1653. Reg. Acts and Decreet, vol. vii., fol. 192-3. Robert Watson, son and heir of umquhile Robert Watson of Yflie, against John Edgar of Wedderlie, and Agnes Cranston, his mother.

1663. Jan. 22. Wallace *contra* Edgar. Concerning a "Decreet obtained against John Edgar in Drumfreis."

1663. Jan. 29. Margaret Edgar *v.* John Murray, *in re* Viscount Stormont.

1665. Jan. 17. Isobel Edgar, daughter of David Edgar of Kethick and Anna Blair, sues her brother David for 4,000 marks due to her.

1665. Dec. 2. Edward Edgar *v.* the son of Alexander Colvil.

1663. Jan. 24. "The children of umquhil Edgar of Wedderlie * alleadging that their father left to his heir a competent estate, and that he dyed before any provision or aliment appointed to them, and that the Heirs Tutor refused to aliment them: their mother being also dead, therefore craved an aliment," &c.

* Misprinted "Netherlie."

1665. Jan. 17. Isobel Edgar, pursuer for 4,000 merks, provided in her mother's contract of marriage.

"The heirs of the first marriage failyied by decease, and there *was* four bairns survived of the second marriage, whereof two died before they attained to their age, and there now remains but two, the pursuer and her brother who is become heir; whereupon she alleadges that she hath the benefit of the whole 4,000 merks."

1665. June 28. James Pitcairn *contra* Isobel Edgar:—

"Umquhil David Edgar by his contract of marriage provided 4,000 merks, to be payed by him and his heir of the first marriage, which failling, any other his heirs, to the bairns of the second marriage. Isobel, one of the children, having married after her father's death, James Pitcairn, her husband's creditor, pursues for the sum as belonging to the husband *jure mariti*."

1665. Dec. 2. Edward Edgar *contra* Colvills. Concerning a bond accepted by Mr. Alexander Colvil.

1672. Dec. 6. Mr. John Veitch (minister of Westruther?) *contra* Wedderlie. "The Lorde found that the minister's possession ought not to be interrupted."

1674. Dec. 2. Craig *contra* Wedderlie.

It appears that Beatrix Edgar (?), a daughter of the previous Laird of Wedderly married first a Mr. Craig, and second, Mr. John Louthian.

1676. July 5. Chiesly *contra* Edgar.

"Samuel Chiesly having charged Edgar of Wedderly for payment of 800 merks for which he became obliged for his brother as prentice-fee, he suspended, and raised reduction upon *minority* and sæsion."

1676. July 7. Edgar *contra* Miln.

"John Edgar being infeft in a tenement in Edinburgh, upon an appraysing, pursuer for mails and dues," against Patrick Miln.

1676. Dec. 7. Ballantine *contra* Edgar.

The former "having obtained decreet against Margaret Edgar, *she* suspends and raises reduction on this reason, that she has right to the lands in question by *liferent*."

1677. June 19. Dickson *contra* Edgar.

The defender (Edgar of Wedderly) alledged "*compensation*," Dickson being "*heir to his brother*, who was assigney by *Nether-mains*."

"*Wedderly*, as executor creditor to old Wedderly, his mother's father, having confirmed a debt due by Nethermains, father to old Wedderly, had good interest to compense a debt due by old Wedderly to *Nether-mains* against Nether-mains, assigney," &c.

1679. Jan. 1. Dickson *v.* Edgar of Wedderly, a "rebel."

1713. John Edgar, apothecary in Haddington, and Christian Brown, his spouse, *v.* William Sinclair.

1714. Robert Edgar, factor to the estate of Provost Graham, in Dumfries.

1736. July. Alexander Johnston of Enmeshields appears by this suit to have had an only daughter married to Mr. Edgar, father of Theodore Edgar.

Register of Decreets, Dalr. Off.

1740. July 9. John Rae against David Edgar. D. E. in Ridinge, eldest son of David Edgar and Agnes Armstrong, eldest sister of John Armstrong of Crieve.

David Edgar charged to enter heir special to his late uncle, with John Johnstone and William Graham as heirs portioners.

1741. June 3. Janet Johnstone, nearest lawful heir to deceased James J., eldest son and heir to deceased Thomas Johnstone in Castlehill, and late clerk to —— Page, one of the Barons of Exchequer in England, her brother-german, and Robert Armstrong, her husband, in Holyhouse, against David Edgar.

Register of Decreets (Mac. Off.), Edinburgh.

1736. July 29.
1738. July 21.
1742. May 29.

Theodore Edgar against James Maxwell. The former was grandson of the deceased Alexander Johnston of Elsieshiels, and son of Robert Edgar.

The pursuer appealed to the House of Lords (Jo. of H. of L., vol. xxvi., p. 136, May 31, 1742), but lost his case, the lords having "found that the son of the second marriage could gratuitously alter the destination in the contract of marriage," &c. (See Grant's Dec. C. of S., &c.)

EXTRACTERS.—COURT OF SESSION.—*See Gilbert Elliot's Division.*

Edgar, John, 1661—1692.
Edgar, Alexander, 1668—1685.
Edgar, James, 1693—1737.
Elliot, Gilbert, 1678—1681.

Curious Case in the Court of Session.—A Printed Report.

EDGAR *v.* NISBET.

State of the process of reduction and declaration. John Edgar, Accomptant of Excise in Edinburgh, against Sir John Nisbet of Dean, Baronet, and Alexander Nisbet, Esquire, 1797.

John Edgar having obtained on 23rd Dec., 1790, a decreet against John Rutherford, son and heir of the deceased John Rutherford of Hunthill, eldest son and heir of the deceased Henry Rutherford as lawfully charged to enter heir in special to deceased Sir John Nisbet of Dean, his second cousin, and to pay the principal sum of £10,000 sterling, as by bond. John Rutherford to John Edgar, dated 18th May, 1790.

The action raised against the above-mentioned Sir J. N., and his brother A., as "only natural and illegitimate children procreated betwixt" the late Sir John Nisbet and ——, a native of France.

During the trial the latter name is given as G (C)laudine Favré.

In the course of evidence it appears that Sir Alexander Nisbet, uncle of Sir Henry, had very considerable property in the Carolinas, and settled Dean on Henry Rutherford, eldest son of Sir John Rutherford of that ilk by Dame Sarah Nisbet, his sister-german.

Sir Alexander died in Carolina in 1753, leaving 2 sons, Henry and John. John returned, took up the title and purchased a commission in the Scots Greys, "went to France and formed a connection with a girl of low situation." Having sold his commission he took this woman to America in the end of 1775 or beginning of 1776, leaving their sons at school in Jersey, whence they returned to Scotland, Sir John, their father, and his mistress, their mother, having been shipwrecked on that voyage and drowned.

(This case was apparently compromised.)

Abstract of Reg. of Decreets (Mac. Off.).

SAMUEL CHIESLY ag$^{t.}$ JOHN EDGAR of Wedderly.

(Aliment—Apprentice.)

These particulars have been published in the "Decisions of the C. of Session," but the original copy is not in the volumes of decreets in the Record Office, although indexed July 5, 1676; July 13, *ibid.*; July 22 and July 25, *ibid.*

"1676. July 5. Chiesly against Edgar of Wadderlie.*

"Edgar of Wadderlie being charged upon an indenture betwixt him and Samuel Chiesly, chirurgeon, for payment of the sum therein contained for his brother's prentice fee and entertainment during his prenticeship; and having suspended the said bond and intented a reduction thereof upon minority and lesion; the Lords found—That the second brother having no other means nor provision, his eldest brother, who was heir to his father and had the estate, ought to entertain him and to put him to a calling; and did not sustain the reason of lesion."

In Morrison's decis$^{ns.}$ of C$_{t.}$ of Session is given an abstract of a curious case, Edgar ag$^{t.}$ Edgar. The case of umquhile David Edgar's relict, Margaret, and her second husband, Walter Cant, against "the bairns of the said umquhile David Edgar, and David Johnston and Edward Edgar, their tutors." —Mr. Wm. Maxwell Nicol.—(*See Par. Reg. of Dunse.*)

Resig. 1st Dec., 1714. JOHN EDGAR to JOHN EDGAR (for Geo. Cockburn).

"John Edgar elder of Wedderly hesell (?) proprietor of y^{e} lands of W., &c. In implement of the Con^{t} of Marr^{g} betw: Jean Robertson only lawfull dau. Thos Robertson elder, Baillie in Edin$^{r.}$ Resig in y^{e} hands of Henry Matie & Royall Sumd^{rs} (?) of Bargrones—the land maine & town of Wedderlie, with the tower, Fortalice & manour place, houses, biggings and haill pertinents, & with y^{e} miln of Wedderly, miln lands, multures and lands of Easterwodheads, Maynwall, Westerwoodheads, Rockhall, Camerlawes & Farm Knowes, Little Halyburton with all and sundry outsetts lying in the Par: of Woolstruthen in the S^{dom} of Berwick to John Edgar my eldest lawful son and *air*. Failing w. to Harie Edgar my 2^{d} s. failing to Alex^{r} 3^{d} son. F. to William 4th son, and him to heir general."

UNEXTRACTED PROCESSES.—Court of Session, Register House, Edinburgh.

1690. Edgar, Lennox, and Gordon.
1690. Edgar and debtor.
1693. Edgar and Jollie.
1693. Edgar and Rig.
1694. Edgar and Maxwell.
1696. Edgar and Farquharson.
1703. Edgar and Stewart.
1707. Edgar and Wallace.
1712. Edgar and Alexander.
1714. Edgar.
1722. Edgar and Graham.
1726. Edgar and Scougal.
1727. Edgar and tenants of Westruther.
1729. Edgar (Richard—petition).
1732. Edgar and Fraiter (Susanna E.).
1733. Edgar and Crockett.

* This case is omitted in the Decisions in the Record Office, although entered in the Index.

1738. Edgar and Edgar (James E. in Blanchlee. See *résumé* *).
1738. Edgar and Gordon.
1751. Edgar and Kennedy.
1752. Edgar and Bell.
1754. Edgar and McLellan.
1759. Edgar and Gilkie.
1759. (Nicol) Edgar.
1765. Edgar (of Blackyett), relict of Robt. E. of Robgill.
1765. Edgar and Glen.
1767. Edgar and Mitchell.
1767. (David) Edgar.
1778. Edgar and Irving.
1779. (James) Edgar.
1781. Edgar and Baillie.
1781. Edgar and Stewart.
1783. Edgar and Cauvin.
1799. Edgar and Barker.

Ancient Criminal Trials.

Pitcairn's "Criminal Trials."

1513. Vol. i., 95. *Oppression preventing a Court being held.*

Ninian Edgar, young Laird of Creaken, Thos. Wans, butler of the Prior, George McCullocht, young Laird of Durchdery, Patrick Murray, young Laird of Bruchtoun, the Laird of Killaster McCullocht, Wchtred McDowell of Munderk, and twenty others, described as living with the Sheriff and the Abbot of Saulset, &c., came in the king's bill, for art and part of convocation of the lieges, and of art and part of the forethought oppression done to Sir David Kennedy, and hindering him from holding his court at Leswalt. The Sheriff of Wigtoun, Duncan Makke in Wigtoun, and Nevin Wigtoun, became sureties for the young Laird of Creaken, Alexander Gordoun of Auchrow for the Lairds of Ardwell and Corswell, and the Laird of Garthline for the Laird of Munderk and Thomas Acoltane, &c.

1530. May 18. Vol. i., 147. Border Barony—neglect to fulfil their bonds—among the Barons and Lairds of Berwickshire. Oliver Edgare, tutor of Wedderlie, appears.

1556. March 14. Vol. i., 393. Convocation searching for Douglas of Kilspindie, and, Nov. 19, Alexander Lord Hume, George Nisbet of that ilk, John Cranstoune, son of Cuthbert C., and John Edzeare of Wedderlie, found caution to underlie the law for the above crimes at the next Aire of Berwick.

1561. March 19. Vol. i., 413. *Invasion, wounding.*

John Edzer of Wodderlie, Richard, Oliphar, James, and George Edzer, and Robert Hude, deletit of conventionne of our soverane ladies liegis to the

* *Advocation.*—James Edgar in Blanchlee or Blainslee (spelt both ways in the process), Selkirk, and his sisters, Janet and Agnes, children of the defunct William Edgar in Blainslee, against John Edgar, lawful son and sole executor of William aforesaid, for payments of his brother and sisters' portions.

Will of William Edgar, dated 6th July, 1727, and witnessed by Charles Murray, town clerk of Lauder.

James, *eldest* son, and a daughter, Marion; also John, Agnes, and Janet.

numer of iij xx. (three score), persuing bodur in feir of weir, with jakis, swordis, steil bonettis, daggis, culveringis and uperis, wappingis, invasive curtsair be act of Parliam$^{t.}$ cumand to be Laudis of Rawburne pertaining to Dauid Spottiswode of that ilk in heretage; and their invadit and peravit John Masone, James Hog, Johne Wody, the said David's tenents, &c.

Verdict. The said Laude of Waderley and his collegis being on penale, were acquit be declaration of the said haill assyisse of the fursaidis crimes.

1564. March 22. Vol. i., pt. ii., p. 456. John Edzare of Inglistoune absent from an assyse for the trial of certain persons in the stewartry of Kirkcudbright.

1582. Vol. i., pt. ii., p. 107. Johne Edzare of . . . . , along with Niniane Spottiswod of that ilk, one of the assise for the trial of George Hwme of Spott.

1598. Vol ii., 71. James Creychtoune in Tounheid, sone to umq$^{le.}$ William Creychtoune, tutour of Sanquhar, and Johne Edzer of Inglistoune, were "Dilatit oferaist and pairt of the slauchter of umq$^{le.}$ Patrick Maxwell of Dalquherno." Creychtoune and Edzer are adjudged to be denounced rebels and "all thair morabit guidis to be scheit," &c.

1605. Vol. ii., p. 490. "Clement Edzer of Kirkblane"—"Robert Edzer of Blaikschaw," are two of the assise at the trial of Arch$^{d.}$ Maxwell of Cowhill, and William Maxwell, his sone.

1624. Vol. iii. 569. Robert Edzer of Wodderlie, one of the assise at the trial of Adie Vscher, for sheep and cattle stealing.*

Wills of the Edgars from the Commissariat Records of Scotland.

Commissariat of Edinburgh.

1577. Jan. 2. James Edgear, merchant, burges in Edinburgh.

1579. June 13. Patrick Edgair, burges in Edinburgh.

1579. Oct. 29. Schir † William Edgare, Prebendar of Lincluden, in Nidisdale.

* "*Ancient Criminal Trials,*" *printed by the Bannatyne Club.*

Edzare of	Blackschaw	...	*temp.* Rob. II.
,,	Ingleston	...	,, Jac. I.
,,	Kirkblane	...	
,,	Wedderlie	...	
,,	(Clement)	...	
,,	?	...	,, Rob. III.

(Castle of Edgaristoun besieged.)

† Sir was a common title given to superior priests. So Rym. Fœd., vol. vi., p. 86. Life of William of Wykeham Bot. Parl., 51, Ed. iii., tit. 4.

1582.	June 4.	Patrick Edgair, sone lauchfull to umquhile Patrick E., burgis in Edinburgh.
1585.	Mar. 23.	Oliver Edzer, in the Flass, in the Nerse.
1587.	Oct. 19.	Richard Edzer, in Crysten hill, Doumfreis.
1587.	Feb. 20.	Patrick Edzear, burges in
1587.	Feb. 10.	Bessy Edger, discerned executrix to umquhile Patrick Edger, burges of Edinburgh, and Catherine Stevenson, her father and mother.
1587.	Feb. 19.	Elizabeth Edgar, executrix, ad omnia, to umquhile Patrick Edgar, burgess of Edinburgh, her father, produced inventory of his goods and gear.
1589.	Feb. 24.	Edict to executors of umquhile Andrew Edgar, burgess of Dumfreis.
1592.	April 3.	John Edzear, in Christenhill, par. of Kirkmaho, Dumfreis.
1592.	July 8.	Andro Edzar, burgess of Drumfries.
1595.	Aug. 29.	James Edzer, in Litill Halyburton, in the sheriffdom of Berwick.
1596.	Oct. 23.	Andro Edgair, Guliehill, Dumfries.
1597.	July 21.	Clement Edzear, mer. burg. in Edinburgh.
1601.	Mar. 17.	Capitaine James Edzear, capitaine in the Low Cuntrey of Flanders.
1601.	Jun(e) 25.	Katherene Lod, relict of Johnne Edzear, burgess of Edinburgh.
1602.	Jun(e) 18.	Christiane Edgair, in Grilstoun, within the parish of Halywood, Dumfries.
1609.	May 23.	Robert Edgar, in the eist quarter of Swyntoun, within the par. of Swyntoun and sheriffdom of Berwick.
1610.	June 28.	Edward Edgar, elder, merchant burgess of Edinburgh.
1613.	June 23.	
1614.	July 2.	Marione Edzear, laufull dochter to Robert E., burges of Dumfreis.
1623.	Nov. 17.	Agnes Edgar, sumetyme spouse to Nicoll Edzer, merchant burges of Edinburgh.
1626.	Sept. 20.	Kathareine Edzer, sumetyme spouse to Patrick Craige, mer. bur. of Edinburgh.
1634.	Sept. 1.	Isobell Edzer, sumetyme spouse to Mr. Adam Peirsone, mer. bur. of Edinburgh.
1643.	Aug. 19.	Robert Edgear, maissoun indweller of Edinburgh.
1655.	Feb. 20.	Adam Edgar, cordnear in Fisheraw and burges of Musselburgh.
1665.		Christiane Sydserff and Alexander Edgar, eldest laufull sone to Edward E., merchant burges of Edinburgh, her husband.
1687.	Jan. 25.	Thomas Edgar, baillie of Baronie of Grange.
1688.	April 6.	
1724.	April 22.	John Edgar, lieutenant in Douglasses regiment.
1727.	Aug. 9.	John Edgar, schlaiser in Linlithgow.
1746.	Oct. 14.	Wm. Edgar Wright, burges of Edinburgh.
1748.	June 2.	
1753.	April 8.	
1749.	Feb. 28.	Thos. Edgar, stabler, in Dalkeith.
1704.	Aug. 11.	Thomas Edgar, chirurgeon, apothecary, and burgess of Edinburgh.
1707.	Aug. 26.	

George Edgar, his brother; Robt. Swintoun, chirurgeon; Margt. Brown, his spouse; John Edgar, son to the defunct; umquhile John Edgar; Anna Edgar; Thomas Edgar, her father; John Inglis; Wm. Hamilton; Alex. Borthwick Rutherford; Jas. Oliphant, of Langtoun; Adam Gardener, of Grummeshill, all mentioned.

(At the end of the vol.)

1653-6. Sept. 3. Wm. Edgar, Burgess, in Haddington.

1800. Feb. 8. John Edgar, W.S.

1707. Mar. 10. Nicoll Edgar (by Alex. Brown, mercht. and factor for Samuel Edgar, son to defunct Nicoll Edgar), tutor to John Edgar of Wedderlie, who owed him money granted to Samuel Cheislie, chirurgeon, burgess of Edinburgh.

1709. Oct. 14. Patrick Edgar wryter; John Brewer, exr.; Hellen Edgar, dau.; and John Cranston, her husband; and Janet Thomson, relict of John Edgar, merchant; nearest of kin to deceased.

1707. Mar. 10. As above. Nicoll Edgar.

1724. April 22. John Edgar, lieutenant in Douglas's regiment, who died abroad. Test. dative to Robert Edgar, portioner of Melros, nearest of kin. Sir James Smollet understanding, and George Edgar, son to ye execr., portioner of Melros, cautioners.

1727. Aug. 10. John Edgar, sclater in Linlithgow.

1746. Oct. 10.
1748. June 2.
1753. June 8.
} William Edgar, Burgess of Edinburgh.

(Out of place.)

1749. Feb. 28. Thomas Edgar, Dalkeith.

1762. Feb. 23. Charles Edgar, N. C. O., (Train of Artillery).

1775. Dec. 15. George Edgar, Edinburgh.

1680. Nicol Edgar, burg. Edinburgh.

1704. Aug. 11.
1707. Aug. 26.
} Thomas Edgar, chirurg., burg. Edinburgh.

1707. Mar. 10. Nicol Edgar, burg. Edinburgh.

1709. Oct. 14. Patrick Edgar, writer, Edinburgh.

Detalia of Wills.

1665. Alex. Edgar and Christian Sydserff. 6 houses, at £50 apiece; 3 kine, at £20 apiece; item standing in barnyard, 16 bollis of wheat; 50 bollis bar., 40 bollis oats, &c., &c.

Debts.—To Edward Edgar for rent of lands pertaining to Edward Edgar, 100 bollis barley at £5.—To Sir John Gilmour for feu duty, £24.—To William Monteith of Carrulus, 1,000 marks.

N.B.—Ancr. of Sir J. Menteith of Closeburn.

1704. Aug. 11. Will of Thomas Edger, surgeon apothecary and burgess of Edinbugh, who died 170–, given up by Geo. E., his brother-german, and others, in name and behalf of his son John Edger, and his daughter Anna, wife of Robert Swintoun, surgeon and burges.

[To this will there are two *eiks* or additions, both dated 26 Aug., 1707, and the second of which describes said Thomas as a subscriber of £200 sterling to "The Company of Scotland tradeing to Affrica and the Indies." *]

1707. Mar. 10. Complete extract. 170–. 1707 The testament dative and inventar of the debts and soumes of money pertaining and belonging to vmquhill Nicoll Edgarr, merchantt in Edinburgh the time of his deceiss, who deceast in the moneth of *iai viic and* years, faithfully made and given up be Mr. Alexander Brown, merchantt in Edinburgh, factor for Samuell Edgarr, sone to the defunct executour and only neerest on kine decerned to him be decreet of the Commissaries of Edinburgh, as the samen of the dait the xxix day of January *iai viic and vii* years in itself at more lenth proports.

Item there wes adebted restand awand to the said vmquhill Nicoll Edgarr the time of his deceiss forsaid conforme to a bond granted be John Edgarr of Wedderlie, with consent of the said vmquhill Nicoll Edgarr, therein designed his tutor,† granted be them to Samuell Cheisley, chirurgeon, burges of Edinburgh, daited the xxxi day of December, *iai vic sixty-six* years, registratt in the Book of Councell and Sessione the xxv day of Aug. inst., *iai vic lxxv* years ‡ the soume of *viiic* merks Scotts money of principall *lxxxlib.* of liquidat expences and certaine bygone *annual rents;* § and whereunto the said Nicoll Edgar had right be assignatione from the said Samuell Cheisley upon the xv. day of March *iai vic lxvii* years as the samen registratt in the Book of Councell and Sessione the viii day of March *iai viic and seven* years bears.

1666 1675 800 £80 1667 1707

Summa of the debts awand to the dead,—*vc xxxvilib. vis. viiid.* (£536-6-8).

1709. Oct. 14. Will of Patrick Edgar, writer in Edinburgh, given up by John Patterson, his executor, *qua* his creditor for the sum of £24 Scots, for which he obtained decreet before the bailies of Edinburgh against Hellen Edgar, daughter of the deceased Patrick Edgar, merchant in Peebles, and John Cranston, merchant there, her

* That is, the *Darien Company.*

† Generally the *younger brother* of the *minor's father.*

‡ Here the word *containing* seems to have been omitted.

§ *Sums of interest.*

husband; and against Janet Thomson, relict of John Edgar, merchant there, the deceased's nearest of kin.

1724. April 22. Will of John Edgar, lieutenant in Douglas's regiment, given up by Robert Edgar, portioner of Melros, his brother-german.

1746. Oct. 14. Will of William Edgar, wright, burges of Edinburgh, who died day of 1746.

1749. Feb. 28. Will of Thomas Edgar, stabler in Dalkeith, who died 16 Dec., 1748.

Vol. lxii. July 8, 1646. The testament, &c., of umquhile George Edzear, induellar in Sant Marie Wynd, &c., quha deceist in the moneth of , the yeir of God, 1695 yeirs, &c. givine wp to *James Edzear*, timberman in Leith, brother german to the said umquhile George, and only executor, &c.

Among debts owing *to* the deceased are £100 by Burne in the *Lochend* [*near Restalrig*].

Vol. lxviii. Feb. 20, 1655. Will of Adam Edgar, cordiner in Fishernaw, who died in 1654, appointing his wife, Catherine Thomson, his sole executrix. Had children, but names not given.

Vol. lxx. May 24, 1662. Will of Andro Handiesyde in Hiddrie, who died in Jan., 1661, given up by his lawful son, John Handiesyde in Sunnysyde, his only executor. Among the debts due to the deceased is a bond for 600 marks, with one year's interest of £24, by *John Edzar*, younger, merchant burgess of Edinburgh.

Vol. lxxiii. Dec. 10, 1668. Will of Nicoll Edger, tutor, of Wedderlie, who died 166–, given up by Helen Gilles, his relict and only executrix, as creditor in terms of a marriage contract dated November 166–, entitling her to her life-rent of 1,200 marks, as the interest of 20,000 m.

Among debts due *to* the deceased is a bond for 2,600 marks by *Samuell Chislie*, and among debts due *by* the deceased, £100 to *Samuell Cheislie*, *apothecar*, "for drugs and medicamentis furnisched to the defunct the tyme of his seaknes."

Vol. lxxvi. Nov. 11, 1680. Testament of Nicoll Edger, merchant burgess of Edinburgh, died 1667, given up by Mr. Duncan Forbes, writer, assignee and executor in terms of a marriage contract dated Nov., 1655, between said Nicoll and Helen Gillies daughter of James G., merchant b. of Edinburgh, and of a subsequent assignation, Sept. 14, 1678, by said Helen.

Among debts due to said Nicoll were a bond granted by John Edgar of Wedderlie to Lodovick Henderson in Bodernil of 400 m., with £16 interest, preceding Whit Monday, 1667; a bond granted by same to John Cleghorne, merchant—500 marks, with £15 interest; a bond by same to Mr. William Edgar, his brother-german, for 500 m., payable yearly to said

William; a bond for 4,000 m. to said Mr. William,—to all which Nicoll had right; and 3,700 m. principal, with £206 interest remaining of the principal sum of 6,000 m., conform to a bond granted by said deceased John to said deceased Nicoll, now declared by Lords of Session to belong to his representatives.

Vol. lxxviii. Jan. 25, 1587. The testament, &c., and inventar of the guids, &c., pertaining to vmquhill Thomas Edger, ballie of the baronie of Grange, &c., who deceist in the moneth of February, 1684, &c., giwin up be himselff, &c. [on Feb. 12], and givin vp be James Edgar in Moffat, brother german to the said defunct, ane of the tutors nominat, and as having best knowledge in the name and behalff of *Thomas, James, and Marion* Edgares, laufull children to the said defunct, &c.

Among debtors of defunct are Robert Mylne of Barnetoun, Alex. Mylne of Carriden, and William Mylne in Borrowstounes.

Among debts due by deceased, £305 10s. paid by James Edgar as tutor to the executors to Alex. Anderson, &c., and £48 to *Marie Edgar* and other women servants.*

1613. Edward Edgar, died May 4, 1610. Margaret Mitchell, his spouse. His sons, Edward and Clement E., minors. Mr. John Halliday, adv. Patrick Edgar, merchant burgess of Edinburgh, and Edward E., merchant burgess of Edinburgh, tutors and curators to the aforesaid Edward and Clement.

The "Trust settlement of Alexander Edgar, 2nd son of Alexander Edgar, the first of Auchingrammont," is dated Aug. 27, 1817, and registered at Edinburgh, Jan. 22, 1821.—Eug. Regr. E. G., No. 1, 1820, fol. 172.

Extracts from the will of Margaret Edgar, the last possessor of Auchingrammont of that family; proved Oct. 11, 1857:—

"I, Miss Margaret Edgar, . . . only surviving daughter and child of the late James Edgar, Esquire, of Auchingrammont, and Mrs. Elizabeth Edgar, his spouse, do hereby dispose, assign, convey, and make over to and in favour of Alexander Murray Dunlop, of Corsook, Esquire, Member of Parliament, . . . Archibald Bogle, Esquire . . . Robt. Riddell, Esquire, Sheriff-subste. of Haddingtonshire, and Alexr. George Monilaws, Writer to the Signet, . , . my trustees," &c., &c.

Testator mentions her late mother and sister, various properties or tenements built on the lands of Hillside, her house in Edinburgh, and other property lying in the barony of Broughton, &c., &c.

* Thomas, Jeane, and *Marie* Edgar, executors, &c. James Edgar, tutor.

Numerous small bequests to Robert Riddell, Archibald Bogle, Anna Dunlop, Agnes Spiers or Graham, Mary Jones Bathia, Margaret and Mary Freebairn, Mary Creighton, Caroline Glennie, Elizab. Ferguson, Isabella Law, Robert, son of Patrick Robertson of Eddlestone, William Bowie, M.D., Bath, to *six schemes* of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland (Conversion of Jews, &c.), to the Destitute Ladies' Society, to Lieut. Alexander E. McGrigor, Mrs. McGrigor and Mrs. McIntyre, Capt. James Edgar, Marion Allan, Elizabeth Jackson or Hewett, James Henry Cuchee, Rev. Joseph Clarke, Jessie M'Ewen, a servant, Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Batelle, Lady Grant, Mrs. Vere, late of Stonebyres, Capt. Henry Edgar, &c., &c.

Also bequests of old family Bible (1683), enamelled gold snuff-box (*temp.* Louis XIV.), "which belonged to my grandmother," silver plate, antique china, antique silk wedding dress, trinkets, &c., &c., and some family portraits by Sir Henry Raeburn.

The codicil to the will is dated July 11, 1856. In August, 1857, the testator died.*

Alexander Edgar, Esquire, a Rear-Admiral of the Red, Middlesex, April, 1856. Administration (with will) unadministered. Former grant 1817. Will reg. 123 Effingham, Prerog. Ct. of Canterbury.

Admiral Edgar died 17 Feb., 1817.

March, 1817. Will, with 2 cods., of Alexander Edgar, formerly of Great Yarmouth, co. Norfolk, but late of Bedford Street, Bedford Square, London, Esquire, a Rear-Admiral, &c., proved by oath of Maria Bethia Campbell, widow, the daughter, and Sir John Jackson, Bart. (heirs of John J., Esq.), the surviving executors, to whom administration was granted, being first sworn, &c. A query on April, 1856.

13th May, 1814. Will of Ann Edgar, of Yarmouth, spinster, proved this day. Will dated 13th May, 1811.

N.B.—Although the above three are recorded in England, they are inserted here as being directly connected with Scotland.

Inventory of Papers (arranged by bunches and bundles).

1681. John Edgar, Lybell.

Before 1684, probably 1681. John Edgar. Amount funerall charges, 2 bunch.

1687. William Edgar (Tack betwixt Sir Wm. Primrose and Borthwick, taken out and given into W. E., 10 bunch).

1692. Thomas Edgar and Mrs. Harde.

1700. Jas. Crawford to Thomas Edgar (30 bunch).

* She had many peculiarities of disposition which seemed repellent to strangers, but to those who were admitted to her friendship she was warm-hearted and a most agreeable companion, owing to her natural shrewdness, and a satirical vein, tempered by charity.

Edicts of Executry.—Edinburgh v. *Lauder.*

Edinburgh to 1740.

1724. Dec. John Edgar. (See *Wills.*)

Inventory of Consistorial Processes.

1702. Graham *v.* Edgar. Process for Scandal. Wm. Graham, student of theology in the college of Edinburgh, against Margaret Edgar, relict of the deceased William Mitchell, late Bailie in Selkirk, and others.

Berwickshire.—Commissariat of Lauder.

Testaments.

1564. Allesone Edgar, Wedderlie, bequeaths to her spouse, John Conquor, all her effects. The will is "made at Wedderlie." No other Edgars are mentioned, and it is witnessed by Robert Rutherford. (Vol. i., fol. 21.)

1664. Oct. 22. John Edgar, of Wadderlie, *v.* Elspeth Edgar, his spouse. Inventory given up by Nicol Edgar, and priced by Alexander Edgar of Westruther. John E. "deceased in 1657." *

1665. Oct. 25. George Edgar.

1676. July 7. John Edgar, Birkenside. Isobell Moffat, his spouse.

1684. Oct. 8. Thomas Edgar, in Murton. His wife's name given as Alison Bartram in his son's will.

1693. Oct. 31. Robert Edgar, in Murton. Brother William, writer in Dunse, only son Thomas. Debts due by the Laird of Wedderlie to him, and by Christian Edgar, relict of John Brown of Kelso, and by Robert Edgar of Chirnside.

1739. Feb. 19. Andrew Edgar of Farneyrigg.

1750. Mar. 13. } Thomas Edgar, son to deceased Thos. E., maltster in Dunse. Magdalen
1757. Nov. 1. } Grieve, sole curatrix. Robert Grieve, cautioner.

1657. The testament dative, and inventory of goods, &c., of umquhile John Edgar, of Wedderlie, and Elspeth Edgar, his spouse, who died in the month of , 1657. Given up by Nicol Edgar, tutor † of Wedderlie, as the same was valued by Alexander Edgar, of Westruther, as having best knowledge in name and behalf of Mary Edgar, eldest daughter and only executrix decerned as nearest of kin to the said defunct, by decreet of the commissary of Lander, of date 18 October, 1664.

* A curious inventory, including "eight silver spoons and ane silver dish, all stamped T. E., pryce thereof £12. Ane broken gold ring with ane blue stane." Lace worked with silver and gold, &c. Total value £233 4s. 6d.

† Probably a brother of the deceased.

Testament confirmed on 22 October, 1664. Nicol Edgar, tutor of Wedderlie, cautioner for executrix.

John Edgar, of Douglas's regiment, 1724. His brother, Robert Edgar, of Melrose. He mentions Sir James Smollett and George Edgar, portioner of Melrose.

Lauder.—Decreets.

1691.	Jan. 6.	Edgar against Pringle.
1695.	Mar. 12.	Edgar against Bell.
1697.	Feb. 23.	Edgar against Wright and Somervel.
1698.	Aug. 2.	Dewar against Edgar (Wedderlie).
1713.	June 9.	John Edgar, elder, of Wedderlie, against George Cossar, John Edgar, Yr., of *Wedderlie*, Thomas Bell, and other tenants in Easterwoodheads.
1720.	Jan. 26.	Thomas Edgar, maltman in Dunse, obtained decree against John Knox.
1713.	Aug. 4.	Alexander Edgar, in Langtoun, decree against John Edgar, Yr., of Wedderlie.
1717.	Mar. 12.	James Edgar, pewtherer burgess of Edinburgh, against Walter Lauder, pewtherer burgess of Edinburgh, as accepter of a bill for £51 3s.
1707.	June 11.	Alexander Edgar, late provost of Haddington, against James Trotter for £20.
1709.		John Dickson, burgess of Lauder, against John Edgar of Wedderly for £11 2s. 2d.
1665.	Jan.	Darling against John Edgar in Birkenside.
1669.	Mar. 16.	Robert Edgar against Wood.
1670.	Nov. 5.	Robert Edgar, in Trottingschan, against Freir.
1671.		Marke Edgar against Robert Craw.

Court of Lauder.—Register of Deeds.

Bond.	1666.	No. 2.	Patrick Edgar to Wm. Stenhouse.
	1673.	No. 24.	John Edgar to Geo. Pringle.
	1673.	No. 28.	Patrick Edgar to Jas. Currie.

Dumfries.

1638.	July 23.	Robert Edzer in Paddakhoill, par. of Holywood.
1657.	Dec. 22.	George Edgar.
1673.	Nov. 6.	William Edzer.
1674.	July 31.	James Edgar in Carrmuck.
1676.	May 30.	David Edgar, mer. bur. of Drumfries.
1679.	Aug. 25.	Edward Edgar, mer. bur. of Drumfries.

1680.	Feb. 5.	Janet Edgar, spouse to John Kenna in Loghall.
1680.	July 10.	Agnes Edgar, spouse to John Bell in Elderbeck.
1684.	Feb. 7.	Agnes Edgar, spouse to James Walker in Duncowe.
1684.	Aug. 14.	John Edgar, late Deacon of the Squairmen in Dumfries.
1685.	Dec. 24.	Agnes E., dochter to deceast Edward Edgar, mer. bur. of Dumfries.
1686.	May 5.	Agnes Edgar in Bridgend.
1686.	Aug. 7.	Janet Edgar, spouse to John McBinnie, cordiner.
1689.	Nov. 29.	Isobell Edgar, spouse to Thomas Aiken, cordiner.
1716.	June 1.	Margaret Edgar, relict of William Ferguson in Shireinton, in the par. of Caerlaverock.
1734.	June 12.	James Edgar in Kirkland of Irongray.
1739.	Mar. 21.	Elizabeth, relict of James Edgar in Duncow.
1744.	Dec. 25.	Thomas Edgar of Reidbank, late Provost of Dumfries.
1747.	May 4.	
1757.	April 26.	Jane Edgar in Duncow, relict of John Smith in Ladiesyett.

John Edgar, late Deacon of Squairmen,* died March, 1684. Given up by his relict, Rosina Lindsay.

Robert Edgar, eldest son of deceased, is named as his "only heir." His other children are executors, viz.,—Joseph, Mary, Margaret Edgar. Witness, William Edgar, date 29th Jan., 1682.

1734. James Edgar in Kirkland of Irongray, given up by Jean Edgar, spouse to Alexander Sloan in Burlay of Hills, and Agnes Edgar, spouse to James. 500 marks due to deceased, Edward McCulloch of Ardwall, cautioner.

1747. Thomas Edgar of Reidbank. His only child (?), Helen Edgar, wife of Mr. Currie, merchant, "nearest of kin to defunct."

Monumental and other Inscriptions.

On a large stone slab supported on four pilasters in the churchyard of Cramond, near Edinburgh, and immediately in front of the great window of the parish church, is inscribed the following epitaph:—

"Here lye Mrs. Anne Hay, wife of Mr. Peter Edgar of Bridgelands.

"She died the fourth day of April, 1779, aged 55 years, as also the said Peter Edgar, who died the . . . day of January, 1781, aged 75 years."

In the parish churchyard of Hamilton is a plain slab without any inscription. It is the tomb of Alexander Edgar of Auchingrammont, the brother of Peter Edgar of Bridgelands. In the same place is his son's tomb, with the following inscription:—

* Squaremen were those tradesmen who used the square (masons, carpenters, &c.), and were the most powerful of the incorporated trades in the days of the "close burghs."

"Departed this life October 14, 1810, James Edgar, Esq., of Auchingrammont.

"The widow and daughters of the latter are buried beside him," viz., "Eliza Lorington, his widow, died in the 83rd year of her age, 14th October, 1852." And "Eliza Precilla, his daughter, died 23rd March, 1852."

Memorial of the last Laird of Wedderlie in the shape of an inscription, placed by him on an old Bible, belonging to the parish church of Westruther:—

"23 Julij 1736

Hunc sacrosanctæ ac divinitus revelatæ veritatis Codicem, Reverendo viro D Waltero Scott, in Ecclesia de Westruther verbi divini Præconi, ejusque in eodem ministerio successoribus, sed inter sacra tantummodo utendum, donat ac dedicat Joannes Edgar de Wedderlie.

[In Sacra Scriptura quicquid docetur, veritas; quicquid]
precipitur, bonitas; quicquid promittitur, felicitas est.

Qualiter esuriens in campo quærit eodem
Semen avis, gramen bos, leporemque canis;
Ingeniis ita divensis diversa ministrat
Pabula siderei pagina sacra *Patris*.
Lac capit his infans, panem robustior ætas,
Nec caret optato curva senecta cibo."

Notes from tombstones in the churchyard of Caerlaverock, Dumfries.

"John Edgar in Markland, died 12th Sept., 1751, aged 73 years."
"John Edgar, died at Amisfield 16th April, 1820, aged 84 years (son)."
"Joseph Edgar in Blackshaw, died 28th June, 1799, aged 55 years."
"Robert Edgar in „ „ 14th Oct., 1765, aged 35 years."
"John Edgar in Blackshaw, died 9th July, 1800, aged 68 years."
"Thomas Edgar * in Markland, died . . . aged 96 years."
"Thomas Edgar (his son, *b.* 1745), died 1808."

In the churchyard of Glencairn, Robert Edgar, martyr, 1685. "Here lys Robert Edger and Robert Mitchel, shot," &c.

Henry David Inglis, Esq., advocate for a period of twenty years, a zealous and beloved pastor of the first Baptist church in Edinburgh, who died in May, 1806, *ætat.* forty-nine, and Helen Hay Edgar, his beloved wife, who survived him fourteen years. Greyfriars churchyard, Edinburgh.

On a tomb in Holywood Churchyard, Dumfriesshire, with arms of houses of Edgar and Maxwell, is the following inscription:—"Heir lyes Thomas Edgar, husband to Barbara Maxual, who departed this life upon the 29th January, 1695, and his age 52."

* Robbed of all by the Clan Cameron in 1745.

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